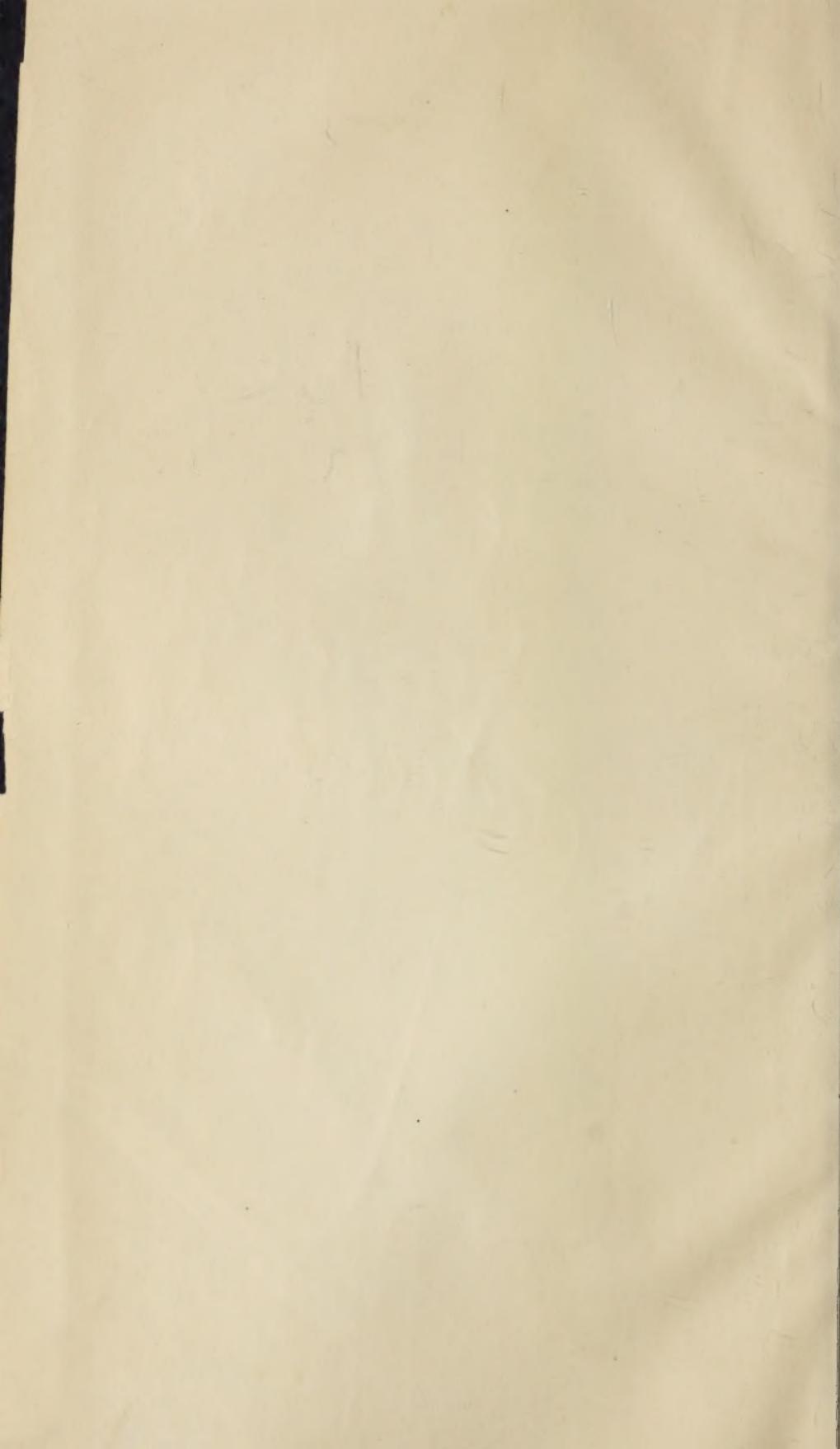


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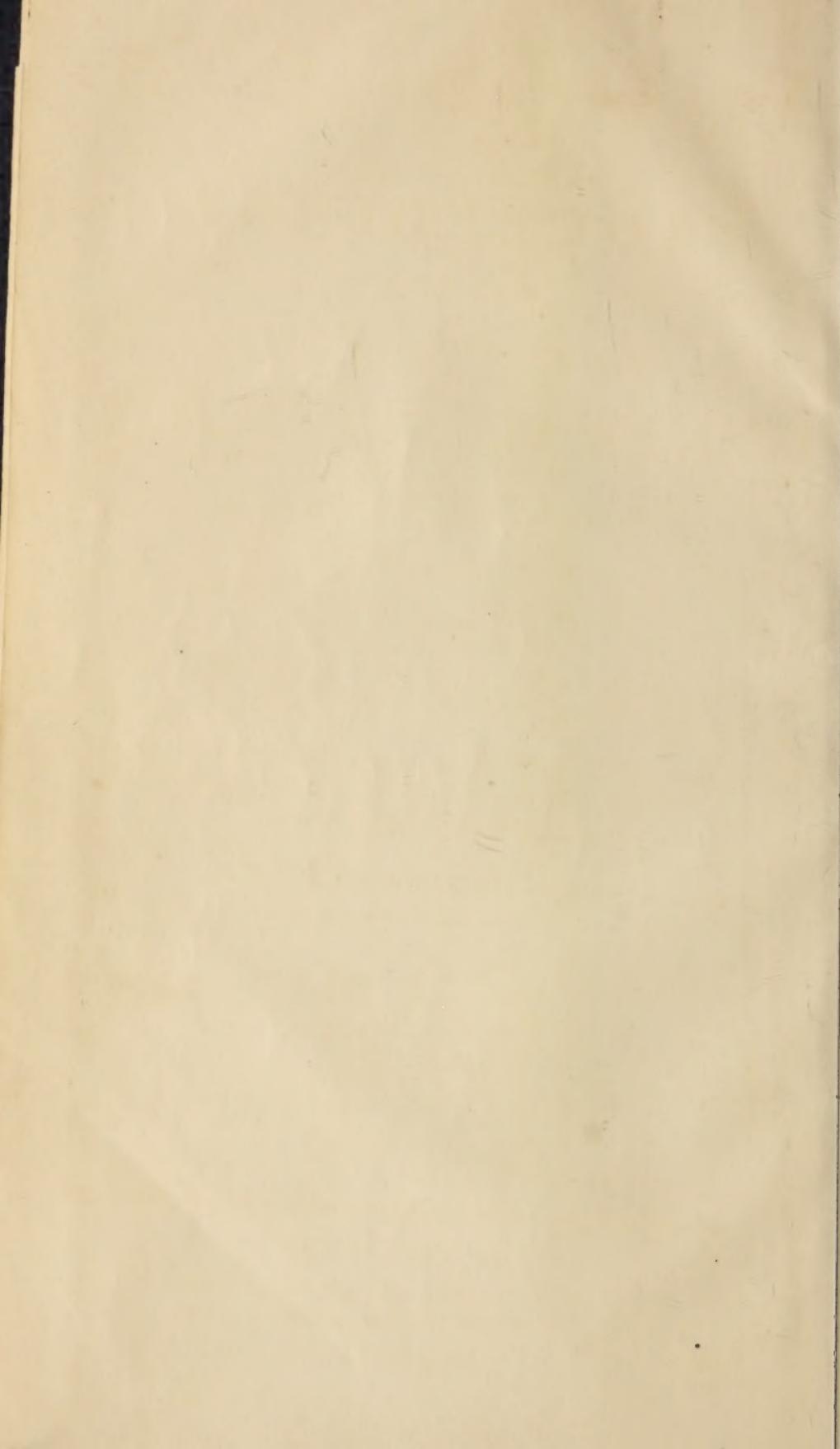
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# VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS OF THE TWENTY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF NEW-JERSEY.

At a Session begun at Trenton, on the twenty-eighth Day of October, One Thousand Eight Hundred, and continued by Adjournments.

BEING THE FIRST SITTING.



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## *List of Persons returned as Members of the Legislative-Council.*

*Bergen,*  
*Efsex,*  
*Middlesex,*  
*Monmouth,*  
*Somerset,*  
*Burlington,*  
*Gloucester,*  
*Salem,*  
*Cape-May,*  
*Hunterdon,*  
*Morris,*  
*Cumberland,*  
*Suffex,*

The Honorable

John Outwater,  
 Daniel Marsh,  
 Ephraim Martin,  
 John Lloyd,  
 Peter D. Vroom,  
 George Anderson, *v.p.*  
 Thomas Clark,  
 William Wallace,  
 Parmenus Corson,  
 John Lambert,  
 Abraham Kitchel,  
 Samuel Ogden,  
 William McCullough,

*Esquires.*

## *List of Persons returned as Members of the General Assembly.*

### BERGEN.

Peter Ward, Thomas Blanch, and John Dey, esquires.

### ESSEX.

Abraham Speer, Charles Clark, and Jabez Parkhurst, esquires.

### MIDDLESEX.

Gershom Dunn, William Edgar, and John Neilson, esquires.

### MONMOUTH.

Joseph Stillwell, William Lloyd, and David Gordon, esquires.

### SOMERSET.

James VanDuyn, William McEowen, and Frederick Frelichuy-sen, esquires.

### BURLINGTON.

William Coxe, jun. *Speaker*, William Stockton, Job Lippencott, and William Pearson, esquires.

### GLoucester.

Samuel Harrison, Abel Clement and Samuel French, esquires.

### SALEM.

Isaac Moss, Eleazer Mayhew, and Anthony Keasby, esquires.

### CAPE-MAY.

Parsons Leaming, esquire.

**HUNTERDON.**

Stephen Burrowes, John Haas, Simon Wyckoff, and Benjamin VanCleve, esquires.

**MORRIS.**

Cornelius Voorheese, Silas Condict, and David Welsh, esquires.

**CUMBERLAND.**

Jonathan Bowen, and Richard Wood, jun. esquires.

**SUSSEX.**

Levi Howell, Silas Dickerson, Joseph Gaston, and Joseph Sharp, esquires.

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*Trenton, October 28, 1800.*

THIS being the time and place appointed by law for the first meeting of the General Assembly, the following persons attended, to wit: Peter Ward, Thomas Blanch and John Dey, as representatives for the county of Bergen; Charles Clark, Abraham Speer and Jabez Parkhurst, as representatives for the county of Essex; John Neilson, William Edgar and Gershom Dunn, as representatives for the county of Middlesex; Joseph Stillwell and William Lloyd, as two of the Representatives for the county of Monmouth; James VanDuyn, William M'Eowen and Frederick Frelinghuysen, as representatives for the county of Somerset; William Coxe, jun. William Stockton, Job Lippencott and William Pearson, as representatives for the county of Burlington; Abel Clement, Samuel French and Samuel W. Harrison, as representatives for the county of Gloucester; Eleazer Mayhew, Anthony Keasby and Isaac Mofs, as representatives for the county of Salem; Benjamin VanCleve, Simon Wyckoff, Stephen Burrowes and John Haas, as representatives for the county of Hunterdon; Silas Condict, David Welsh and Cornelius Voorheese, as representatives for the county of Morris; Jonathan Bowen and Richard Wood, jun. as representatives for

the county of Cumberland ; Silas Dickerson, Joseph Gaston, Joseph Sharp and Levi Howell, as representatives for the county of Sussex, appeared, and produced the respective certificates of their elections, which were read, approved, and ordered to be filed.

Benjamin VanCleve, esquire, was appointed, agreeably to the constitution, to qualify William Coxe, esquire, who being duly sworn, took his seat, and the remaining persons returned as representatives, being qualified by the said William Coxe, took their seats in the house.

The members proceeded to the appointment of a speaker, when the honorable William Coxe was unanimously chosen, and took the chair.

The house proceeded to the election of a clerk, when Maskell Ewing was unanimously chosen.

Maskell Ewing attended, and having taken the oath of allegiance, and also an oath for the faithful discharge of his office, he took his seat in the house.

*Ordered*, That the clerk do wait on the Council and acquaint them that a sufficient number of members of this house have this day met and elected the honorable William Coxe, their speaker, and Maskell Ewing, their clerk, and have proceeded to business.

*Resolved*, That David Wrighter be door-keeper to this house during the present session.

*Ordered*, That Messrs. Dunn, Pearson and Dickerson, be a committee to bring forward a draught of rules and regulations for the better government of this house.

*Ordered*, That Messrs. Stillwell, Stockton and Burrowes, be a committee to examine the minutes of the last sitting, and report the business that was referred or remains unfinished.

A message from Council, by Mr. Beatty, their secretary.

Mr. Speaker,

A sufficient number of members of Council have this day met, and elected the honorable George Anderson, esquire, vice-president, John Beatty, their secretary, and have proceeded to business.

The house adjourned till to-morrow morning, ten of the clock.

*Wednesday, October 29, 1800.*

The house met.

Mr. Dunn, from the committee appointed for the purpose, presented the draught of rules and regulations for the better government of the house, which was read, considered by paragraphs, and agreed to.

Parsons Leaming, returned as representative of the county of Cape-May, appeared in the house and produced the certificate of his election, which was read, approved, and ordered to be filed; whereupon, being duly qualified by the speaker, he took his seat in the house, and having rendered an excuse for his non-attendance before this time, the same was deemed satisfactory.

Mr. Stillwell, from the committee appointed to examine the minutes of the last sitting, brought in the following list of unfinished business before the General Assembly in November, 1799:

No 1. Resolutions from the state of Delaware, proposing an amendment to the constitution of the United States, that no person shall be eligible as president or vice-president of the United States, nor shall any person be a senator or representative in the Congress of the United States, except a natural born citizen, or unless he shall have been a resident in the United States at the time of the declaration of independence, and shall have continued either to reside within the same, or to be employed in its service from that period to the time of his election, &c.—ordered a second reading.

2. Resolution of the House of Delegates in the state of Maryland, respecting runaway negroes, together with a letter from the governor of Maryland—ordered a second reading.

3. The report of Mr. Corwin on the petition of Josiah Hunt—ordered a second reading.

4. The report of Mr. Speer on the petition of Thomas Crowsell—postponed.

5. The bill, intitled, “An act regulating the election of representatives in the House of Representatives of the Congress of the United States, for this state”—ordered a second reading

6. The bill, intitled, “A supplement to the act, intitled, “An act respecting coroners”—ordered a second reading.

7. The report of Mr. Burrowes on the petition of Elnathan Davis—ordered a second reading.

8. The bill, intitled, “An act for the division of the townships of Bernards and Bridgewater, in the county of Somerset, and for forming a new township from the east end of the said township of Bernards and Bridgewater”—referred to this sitting.

9. The bill, intitled, “A supplement to the act, intitled, “An act relative to statutes”—referred to this sitting.

10. The bill, intitled, “An act in addition to the acts relative to the terms of holding the Supreme Court, Courts of Appeal and the Middlesex county and Circuit Courts”—referred to this sitting.

11. The report of Mr. Ward, of the eighth November last, on the petition from the counties of Somerset and Middlesex—ordered a second reading.

12. The bill, intitled, “An act for the relief of the children of Samuel Cook, late of Monmouth county, deceased,” was ordered a second reading.

13. The bill, intitled, “An act for the preservation of cranberries,” was ordered a second reading.

14. The petition of Jenny Ferrol.

By order of the committee,

JOSEPH STILLWELL.

Which report was read.

The papers therein referred to, marked No. 1, No. 2, No. 4, No. 6, No. 7, No. 8, No. 9, No. 10 and No. 13, were severally read and ordered a second reading.

The paper marked No. 3 was read and committed to Messrs. VanCleve, Clark and Keasby.

The papers marked No. 5 were read and committed to Messrs. Frelinghuysen, Harrison and Welsh.

The papers marked No. 12 were read and committed to Messrs. Neilson, Lioyd and French.

The petition of Jenny Ferrol, marked No. 14, was read and committed to Messrs. Condict, Dey and M'Eowen.

*Ordered*, That the clerk do wait on the Council, and inform them that this house is ready to go into a joint-meeting, to appoint electors of the president and vice-president of the United States, to appoint a governor and other officers of the state, and

to request that Council will appoint the time and place of meeting.

*Ordered,* That Messrs. Burrowes, Wood, Gaston, Moss and Edgar, or any three of them, be a committee to join a committee of Council to settle the accounts of the treasurer, and that the clerk do wait on the Council and request them to appoint a committee to join the committee of this house for that purpose.

*Ordered,* That Messrs. VanDuyn, Pearson and Parkhurst, be a committee to examine and correct the minutes of this house.

A message from the Council, by Mr Beatty, their secretary.

Mr. Speaker,

The Council will be ready to go into a joint-meeting on to-morrow, at three o'clock in the afternoon, in the Assembly-Room, for the purpose of appointing electors of the president and vice-president, of the governor and other officers of the state.

Sundry petitions from prisoners confined for debt, praying the benefit of an act of insolvency, were read and committed to Messrs. Ward, Clement and Lippencott.

The speaker laid before the house a warrant of half-pay in favor of Sarah Woods, widow of Isaac Woods, deceased, a soldier who died in the service of the United States, the back of which being filled with endorsements; whereupon,

*Ordered,* That the said warrant be renewed in favor of the said Sarah Woods.

The house adjourned till three o'clock, P. M.

The house met.

The warrant, this morning ordered, in favor of Sarah Woods, was read, approved and ordered to be signed.

*Ordered,* That the clerk do carry the said warrant to the Council for concurrence.

The speaker laid before the house a letter from the honorable William Paterson, accompanied with an account and vouchers for monies by him expended in the revision of the laws, which were read and committed to Messrs. Clement, Neilson and Leaming.

A petition from the county of Essex, praying that a more effectual remedy may by law be had to prevent the distillers of spirits on the sabbath-day, was read and committed to Messrs. Blanch, Mayhew and Speer.

A petition from the chosen freeholders of the county of Sussex, praying that the clerk's office of that county, shall, by law, be kept at Newton, was read and committed to Messrs. Wyckoff, Bowen and Sharp.

A petition from the owners of meadows on Stow-Creek, praying a law, the better to enable them to improve their meadows, was read and committed to Messrs. Keasby, Howell and Haas.

The house adjourned till to-morrow morning ten of the clock.

*Thursday, October 30, 1800.*

The house met.

A message from the Council, by Mr. Beatty, their secretary.  
Mr. Speaker,

The Council have appointed Mr. D.Vroom and Mr. McCullough, or either of them, a committee on the part of Council, to join the committee of the House Assembly, for the purpose of settling the accounts of the treasurer.

Mr. Ward, from the committee to whom was referred the petitions from prisoners confined for debt, presented a bill, intitled, "An act for the relief of insolvent debtors;" which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

Mr. VanCleve presented a bill, intitled, "An act for the support of the government of the state of New-Jersey;" which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

A petition from Thomas Henderson, esq. stating a demand against the state, and praying payment, was read and committed to Messrs. Bowen, Voorheese and French.

The house adjourned to three o'clock, P. M.

The house met.

Mr. Keasby, from the committee to whom was referred the petition of the owners of certain meadows and swamps, lying on the west branch of Stow-Creek, in the county of Salem, praying liberty to present a bill to enable them to stop the creek and erect water-works to drain the same, are of opinion,

**T**HAT the prayer of the petitioners ought to be granted, and that the said petitioners have leave to present a bill on the second Wednesday of the next sitting of the Legislature, they previously advertising the purport of the bill, they mean to present, at least three weeks before the time given to present the said bill, in three of the public places in the said township where the meadow and swamp are.

By order of the committee.

ANTHONY KEASBY.

Which report was read and agreed to.

Mr. Condict, from the committee to whom was referred the petition of Jenny Ferrol, reported,

**T**HAT it is the opinion of your committee, that the subject matter of the said petition does not require legislative interference.

By order of the committee,

SILAS CONDICT.

Which report was read and agreed to; whereupon,

*Ordered*, That the said petition be dismissed.

A message from the Council, by Mr. Beatty, their secretary.

Mr. Speaker,

The warrant entitling Sarah Woods, to receive the half-pay of her late husband, Isaac Woods, is agreed to by Council.

The members withdrew to attend a joint-meeting, and being returned, the speaker resumed the chair and the house adjourned till to-morrow morning ten of the clock.

*Friday, October 31, 1800.*

The house met.

Mr. Frelinghuysen, from the committee to whom was referred the bill, intitled, "An act regulating the election of repre-

sentatives in the House of Representatives of the Congress of the United States, for this state," reported the same with sundry amendments and the following title :

" An act directing the time and mode of electing representatives in the House of Representatives of the Congress of the United States, for this state ; " which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

Mr. Bowen, from the committee to whom was referred the petition and papers of Thomas Henderson, esq. reported as follows :

**T**HAT it is the opinion of your committee, that the prayer of the petitioner ought not to granted.

By order of the committee.

JONATHAN BOWEN.

Which report was read and ordered a second reading.

Mr. VanCleve, from the committee to whom was referred the petition of Josiah Hunt, reported as follows :

**T**HAT they have examined the contents of the said petition, and are of opinion that the prayer of the petitioner ought not to be granted.

By order of the committee,

BENJAMIN VANCLEVE.

Which report was read and ordered a second reading.

A petition from a number of the inhabitants of Newark, in the county of Essex, was read, praying leave to present a bill to incorporate the Newark aqueduct company ;

*Ordered*, That the same be read a second time.

*On motion*,

*Ordered*, That the speaker have power to convene the General Assembly, during this session, whenever any extraordinary occasion shall, in his opinion, render it necessary, by causing public notice of the time when the Legislature are required to meet, in the several newspapers published in this state, and some one of the papers published in Philadelphia, which circulates in this state, at least three weeks previous to the time of such meeting, which shall be deemed sufficient notice to the respective members of this house for their attendance.

The bill, intitled, " An act for the relief of insolvent debtors," was read a second time, debated, and ordered to be engrossed.

A petition from Christopher Case, stating a demand against the forfeited estate of Joseph Barton, was read and dismissed.

The report of Mr. Burrowes, on the petition of Elnathan Davis, was read a second time, and other testimony offered to the house, than was before the committee, to strengthen the claim of the petitioner.

*Ordered*, That the same be committed to Messrs. VanDuyn, Wood and Lippencott.

On motion,

*Ordered*, That Messrs. Ward, Parkhurst, Stockton, Mayhew and M'Eowen, or any three of them, be a committee, to join a committee of Council, to examine and settle the accounts relative to the state-prison, and that the clerk do wait on the Council and request them to appoint a committee, to join the committee of this house for that purpose.

The house adjourned to three o'clock P. M.

The house met.

Mr. Wyckoff, from the committee, to whom was referred the petition from the board of chosen freeholders of the county of Sussex, presented a bill, intitled, "An act requiring the clerk's office of the county of Sussex to be kept at Newton, in the said county;" which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

Mr. Blanch, from the committee, to whom was referred the petition of a number of the inhabitants of the county of Essex, reported,

**T**HAT they have maturely considered the purport of said petition, and are fully of opinion, that the act, intitled, "An act for suppressing vice and immorality," is fully adequate to answer the purpose of said petitioners.

By order of the committee,

THOMAS BLANCH.

Which report was read and agreed to; whereupon,

*Ordered*, That the said petition be dismissed.

The engrossed bill, intitled, "An act for the relief of insolvent debtors," was read and compared;

On the question, Whether the same do pass? It was carried in the affirmative, as follows:

Yeaſ.	Nayſ.
Meffrs. Blanch,	Meffrs. Bowen,
Burrowes,	Clark,
Dey,	Clement,
Dunn,	Condict,
Edgar,	Dickerson,
Frelinghuſen,	Gaston,
French,	Howell,
Haas,	Keasby,
Harrison,	Lloyd,
Leaming,	Mayhew,
Lippencott,	M' Eowen,
Neilſon,	Mofs,
Pearſon,	Parkhurst,
Sharp,	Speer,
Stillwell,	VanDuyn,
Stockton,	Voorheſe,
VanCleve,	Welſh.
Ward,	
Wood,	
Wyckoff.	

*Ordered*, That the ſpeaker do ſign the ſame; and that the clerk do carry the ſaid bill to Council for concurrence.

A message from the Council, by Mr. Beatty, their ſecretary.

Mr. Speaker,

Mr. Wallace and Mr. Martin, or either of them, are appointed a committee on the part of Council, to join the committee of the House of Aſſembly, for the purpose of examining and ſettling the accounts relative to the ſtate-prifon.

The paper marked No. 2, in the report of unfinished buſineſſ, containing a reſolution of the house of delegates in the ſtate of Maryland, reſpecting runaway negroes, together with a letter from the governor of Maryland, was read a ſecond time, and diſmiffed.

The bill, intituled, "A ſupplement to an act, intituled, "An act reſpecting coroners," was read a ſecond time, and diſmiffed.

The bill, intituled, "An act for the diſtiion of the townſhips of Bernards and Bridgewater, in the county of Somerset, and for forming a new townſhip from off the eaſt end of the ſaid town-

ships of Bernards and Bridgewater," was read a second time, and dismissed.

The bill, intitled, " An act for the preservation of cranberries," was read a second time, and dismissed.

The house adjourned till Monday morning ten of the clock.

*Monday, November 3, 1800.*

The house met.

David Gordon, esq. returned as one of the representatives for the county of Monmouth, appeared in the house and produced the certificate of his election, which was read, approved and ordered to be filed ; whereupon, being duly qualified by the speaker, he took his seat in the house and was excused for non-attendance before this time.

A message from Council, by Mr. Beatty, their secretary.

Mr. Speaker,

The bill, intitled, " An act for the relief of insolvent debtors," is passed by Council without amendment.

The petition from Newark, in the county of Essex, praying leave to present a bill to incorporate the Newark aqueduct company, was read a second time and leave given to present a bill agreeably to the prayer of the petitioners ;

Whereupon,

Mr. Parkhurst, in behalf of the petitioners, presented a bill, intitled, " An act to incorporate the Newark aqueduct company ;" which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

Mr. Lloyd, with leave, presented a bill, intitled, " An act for the more speedy relief of persons confined for debt ;" which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

On motion,

*Ordered*, That Messrs. Frelinghuysen, Pearson and Lloyd, be managers on the part of the house, to conduct the impeachment of Elijah Godfrey, esq. one of the justices of the peace of the county of Cape-May, before Council, and that the clerk do wait on the Council and acquaint them therewith.

The bill, intitled, "An act requiring the clerk's office of the county of Sussex, to be kept at Newton, in the said county," was read a second time and ordered to be engrossed.

A petition from Isaac Richmond, William Mulford and Isaac Howey, praying, for reasons therein set forth, that an act may pass to bar an estate tail, was read and committed to Messrs. Frelinghuyzen, Dey and Leaming.

The house adjourned to three o'clock P. M.

The house met.

Mr. Neilson, from the committee to whom was referred the petition of David Ford, reported as follows :

**T**HAT it is the opinion of your committee, that the prayer of the petitioner in behalf of himself and the children of Samuel Cooke, ought to be granted, and accordingly report a bill for their relief.

The opinion of the committee is founded upon the following principles :—On examining the papers committed to them they find, that Isabella Kearney and Samuel Cooke were jointly bound to Richard Tole, in a bond, dated 22d June, 1774, conditioned for the payment of one hundred pounds, proclamation money, with interest ; that they gave a mortgage on a lot of land, their joint property, to the said Richard Tole, to secure the payment of the said debt, which was contracted for the joint benefit of the said Isabella and Samuel ; that Mr. Cooke's moiety of the said land was sold by the commissioners of forfeited estates for the county of Monmouth, and the amount, with other effects of the said Samuel Cooke, accounted for to the state.

Mr. Tole resorted to Isabella Kearney, one of the persons bound in the bond, commenced a suit against her and recovered the whole amount of the debt.

The children of the said Samuel Cooke, to indemnify the said Isabella Kearney for the money so paid by her on their father's account, have paid her, the said Isabella Kearney, the one half of said debt, with the interest, out of an estate descended to them from their mother.

The said children now have the same claim on the estate of Samuel Cooke, which Richard Tole originally had.

By order of the committee,

JOHN NEILSON.

Which report was read and agreed to, and a bill presented, intitled, "An act for the relief of the children of Samuel Cooke, late of Monmouth county, deceased," which bill, was read and ordered a second reading.

A petition from the administrators of Elisha Lawrence, esq. deceased, praying that a law may pass to authorize them to sell and convey proprietary rights for the payment of the debts of the said deceased, was read and committed to Messrs. Condict, Lloyd and Edgar.

The house adjourned till to-morrow morning ten of the clock.

*Tuesday, November 4, 1800.*

The house met.

A petition from a number of inhabitants of the county of Middlesex, praying that the exclusive right and privilege of improving and enjoying the navigation of the river Macheponix, may be granted, by law, to James Abrahams and William Wyckoff, was read and committed to Messrs. Harrison, Gordon and Dickerson.

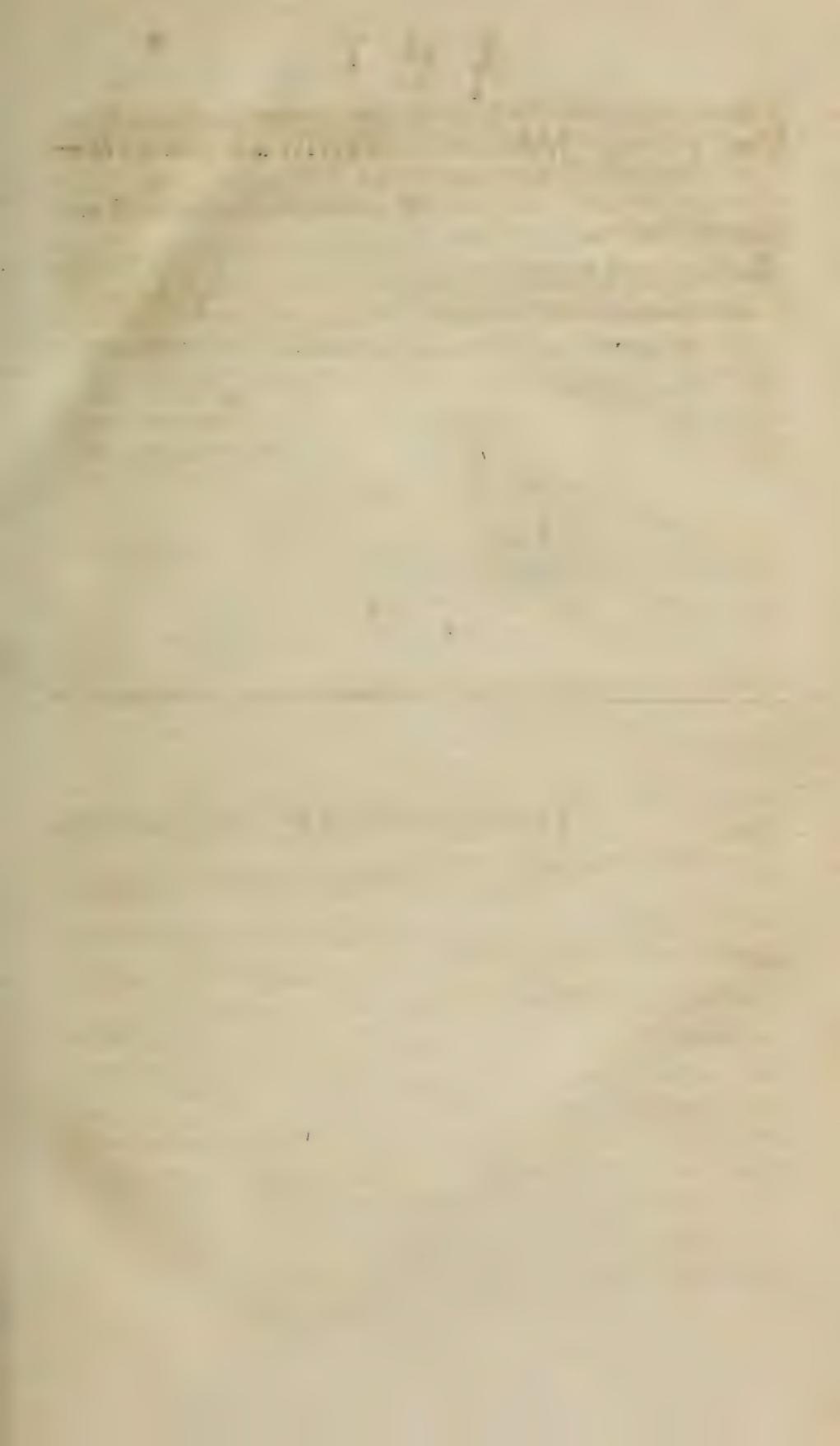
A petition from the administrators, the widow and legatees to the estate of William Hobrow, deceased, praying leave to present a bill, to carry into effect a contract made by the said William Hobrow, in his life-time, was read and committed to Messrs. Stillwell, Blanch and Sharp.

A petition from the town committee of Shrewsbury, praying that the laws of the state may be so altered, that the collection of taxes may be made more easy, was read and committed to Messrs. VanDuyn, Clark and Haas.

The speaker laid before the house the register's return of the probates letters of administration and guardianship, issued from the register's office since the 22d of October, 1799,

And a letter from the secretary, desiring the direction of this House with respect to the delivering up the last bond given by James Mott and his sureties, for the faithful discharge of his office ; which letter was read and committed to Messrs. Dunn, Moss and Gaston.

Mr. Burrowes, from the committee appointed to join a committee of Council for the purpose of settling the accounts of James Salter, esq. treasurer, reported a statement of the settlement as follows :



Dr.

JAMES SALTAR, *Treasurer, to—*

On account of taxes levied in—

To deficiencies not paid in on the last settlement by the counties of	Lawful Money.
Bergen,	Dols. Cts.
Hunterdon,	
	369 32
	1,072 77
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	1,442 09

Dr.

JAMES SALTAR, *Treasurer, to—*

On account of tax for raising £50,000—

To deficiencies not paid in on the last settlement, by the counties of	State Money.
Burlington,	Dols. Cts.
Sussex,	
	1,533 36
	1,543 95
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	3,077 31

*—the State of New-Jersey,**Cr.*

—Continental Money, and reduced to Specie.

By deficiencies not yet paid in by

Lawful Money.

the counties of

Dols. Cts.

Bergen,

369 32

Hunterdon,

1,072 77

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October 30, 1800.

By order of the committees,

PETER D. VROOM,

STEPHEN BURROWES.

*—the State of New-Jersey,**Cr.*

—State Money and Certificates, due December 1, 1781.

By deficiencies not yet paid in by

State Money.

the counties of

Dols. Cts.

Burlington,

1,533 36

Sussex,

1,197 95

Balance carried to account current,

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346 00

3,077 31

October 30, 1800.

By order of the committees,

PETER D. VROOM,

STEPHEN BURROWES.

*Dr.* JAMES SALTAR, *Treasurer, to—*

On account of tax for raising £.50,000 State Money—

To deficiencies not paid in on the last settlement by the counties of	State Money.
Hunterdon,	506 74
Morris,	2,171 51
	2,678 25

*Dr.* JAMES SALTAR, *Treasurer, to—*

On account of the proportion of the second pay—

To deficiency not paid in on the last settlement by the county of	Lawful Money.
Hunterdon,	1,924 72

—*the State of New-Jersey,*

*Cr.*

—and Certificates, and £.25,000 Specie, due July 1, 1782.

By deficiencies not yet paid in by the counties of	State Money. Dols. Cts.
Hunterdon,	506 74
Morris,	2,171 51
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	2,678 25

October 30, 1800.

By order of the committees,

PETER D. VROOM,  
STEPHEN BURROWES.

—*the State of New-Jersey,*

*Cr.*

—ment of tax for raising £.90,930, due January 1, 1784.

By deficiency not yet paid in by the county of	Lawful Money. Dols. Cts.
Hunterdon,	852 93
Balance carried to account current,	1,071 79
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	1,924 72

October 30, 1800.

By order of the committees,

PETER D. VROOM,  
STEPHEN BURROWES.

*Dr.* JAMES SALTAR, *Treasurer, to—*

On account of tax for raising £.10,000 Specie, for sink—	
To deficiencies not paid in on the last settlement by the counties of	Lawful Money.
Hunterdon,	Dols. Cts.
Sussex,	
	Dols. Cts.
	613 24
	1,434 48
	2,047 72

*Dr.* JAMES SALTAR, *Treasurer, to—*

On account of tax in Specie, due January 1, 1783, which was— law, passed November 28, 1789, is—	
To deficiencies not paid in on the last settlement by the counties of	Lawful Money.
Morris,	Dols. Cts.
Sussex,	
	Dols. Cts.
	4,912 97
	4,425 40
	9,338 37

—*the State of New-Jersey,* Cr.

—ing £.30,000 in bills of credit, due December 1, 1785.

By deficiencies not yet paid in by the counties of	Lawful Money.
	Dols. Cts.
Hunterdon,	613 24
Sussex,	1,434 48
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	2,047 72

October 30, 1800.

By order of the committees,

PETER D. VROOM,

STEPHEN BURROWES.

—*the State of New-Jersey,* Cr.

—made payable to the receiver of continental taxes, but by a  
—made payable into the treasury.

By deficiencies not yet paid in by the counties of	Lawful Money.
	Dols. Cts.
Morris,	4,912 97
Sussex,	3,771 40
Balance carried to account current,	654 00
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	9,338 37

October 30, 1800.

By order of the committees,

PETER D. VROOM,

STEPHEN BURROWES.

Dr.

JAMES SALTAR, *Treasurer, to—*

On account of tax in Specie, due October 1, 1783,—  
taxes, but by a law passed November 28,—

To deficiencies not paid in on the last settlement by the counties of	Lawful Money.
	Dols. Cts.
Monmouth,	2,928 34
Morris,	3,304 89
Sussex,	1,392 23
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	7,625 46

Dr.

JAMES SALTAR, *Treasurer, to—*

On account of tax in Specie, due January 1, 1784,—  
but by a law, passed November 28, 1789,—

To deficiencies not paid in on the last settlement by the counties of	Lawful Money.
	Dols. Cts.
Monmouth,	3,908 00
Burlington,	1,548 48
Hunterdon,	728 21
Morris,	3,304 89
Sussex,	1,941 33
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	11,430 91

—*the State of New-Jersey,*

*Cr.*

—which was payable to the receiver of continental  
—1789, is made payable into the treasury.

By deficiencies not yet paid in by the counties of	Lawful Money. Dols. Cts.
Monmouth,	3,928 34
Morris,	3,304 89
Sussex,	1,312 23
Balance carried to account current,	80 00
October 30, 1800.	7,625 46

By order of the committees,

PETER D. VROOM,  
STEPHEN BURROWES.

—*the State of New-Jersey,*

*Cr.*

—which was payable to the receiver of continental taxes,  
—is made payable to the treasury.

By deficiencies not yet paid in by the counties of	Lawful Money. Dols. Cts.
Monmouth,	3,908 00
Burlington,	1,548 48
Morris,	3,304 89
Sussex,	1,865 57
Balance carried to account current,	803 97
October 30, 1800.	11,430 91

By order of the committees,

PETER D. VROOM,  
STEPHEN BURROWES.

## *Amount of Deficiencies from the several Counties.*

ARREARS of TAXES due before the YEAR 1785.

*TOTAL AMOUNT.*

JAMES SALTAR, Treasurer, to the state of New-Jersey, Dr.

On account of cash received of sundry persons.

	Dols. Cts.
1799.	
Nov. 12, Received of Joseph Hugg, sheriff of Gloucester county, on account of fines imposed by the courts in said county,	34 00
14, Albert C. Zabriskie, sheriff of Bergen county, on account of do.	13 38
19, Thomas Ward, sheriff of Essex county, on account of fines imposed by the courts in said county, from the 1st of Nov. 1798, to Nov. 1, 1799,	56 15
21, George Burgin, late sheriff of Cumberland county, the balance of the fines imposed by the courts in said county,	37 15
1800.	
Feb. 25, Robert Blair, late sheriff of Somerset county, per Joseph Doty, in full of the fines imposed by the courts in said county, between Nov. 10, 1797, and Nov. 10, 1798,	71 64
Joseph Doty, sheriff of Somerset county, being in full of the fines imposed by the courts in said county, during the year ending Nov. 10, 1799,	21 99
Joseph Hugg and George W. Hugg, executors of Joseph Hugg, commissioner of the old Loan Office, in Gloucester county, dec. on account of the sum loaned in said county, in the year 1776,	874 61
Joseph Hugg, sheriff of Gloucester county, being the sum in full of the fines imposed by the courts of said county, during the year ending Nov. 1, 1799,	72 70
Feb. 26. Charles Pemberton, sheriff of Sussex county, being on account of the fines imposed by the courts of said county, during the year, ending November 1, 1798,	40 25

Carried forward,

1221 87

	1800.	Dols. Cts.
		1221 87
	Brought forward	
April 18.	Received of the inspectors of the state-prison, per Moore Furman, being the sum reported to be due from them by a joint committee of Council and Assembly, which report was agreed to by both houses, on 6th November, 1799,	
		203 6r
May 5.	Jonathan Leaming, Sheriff of Cape-May county, per Parsons Leaming, the amount of the fines imposed by the courts, due November 10, 1799,	2 28
12.	Thomas Ward, sheriff of Essex county, the balance of fines imposed by the courts during the year, ending November 10, 1799,	
		2 8r
13.	John Tuft, sheriff of Salem county, the amount of fines imposed by do. do. do.	33 26
15.	John Westervelt, late sheriff of Bergen county, per Robert Campbell, the balance of the fines imposed by the courts during the three years, ending November 10, 1797,	
		1 86
29.	John Bispham, sheriff of Burlington county, the balance of fines imposed by the courts in said county, during the year, ending November 1, 1799,	
		43 17
July 9.	Of John Chetwood, sheriff of the borough of Elizabeth, per G. M. Ogden, the amount of the fines imposed by the courts in said borough, during the year, ending November 10, 1799,	
		1 33
July 9.	Daniel Hendrickson, administrator of Daniel Hendrickson, former sheriff of Monmouth county, per Jonathan Rhea, on account of fines imposed by the courts in said county, during the three years, ending November 10, 1790,	
		255 64

Carried forward,

1772 83

	1800.	Dels. Cr.
	Brought forward,	1772 83
Sept. 3.	Received of Charles Pemberton, sheriff of Sussex county, on account of the fines imposed by the courts in said county, during the year, ending November 10, 1799,	10 94
19.	Of Aaron D. Woodruff, attorney general, being a forfeited recognizance,	100 00
Oct. 10.	Of James Lloyd, late sheriff of Monmouth county, being the balance of fines imposed by the courts in said county, during the three years, ending November 10, 1799,	40 12
30.	Of Jeremiah Bennet, sheriff of Cumberland county, per Jonathan Bowen, the balance of fines imposed by the courts in said county, during the year, ending November 1, 1800,	109 25
Amount carried to account current,		<hr/> 2033 14

October 30, 1800.

By order of the committees,

PETER D. VROOM,

STEPHEN BURROWES.

Presented  
Agreed

JAMES SALTAR, *Treasurer, to the state of New-Jersey, Dr.*

On account of cash received for sundry stage licenses.

1800.	Dols. Cts.
Jan. 9. Received of John N. Cumming, the arrears due on the mail line of stages, up to January 1st, 1798, agreeably to a law passed November 20, 1799,	533 33
Amount carried to account current,	

October 30, 1800.

By order of the committees,

PETER D. VROOM,

STEPHEN BURROWES.

JAMES SALTAR, *Treasurer, to the state of New-Jersey, Dr.*

On account of cash received of sundry persons,  
for fees on private laws, agreeably to a  
law, passed February 20, 1794.

1799.	Dols. Cts.
Nov. 15. Received of William S. Pennington, the fees on an act for the relief of John Tuchenor, J. Harrison and others, passed October 31, 1799,	3 13
Amount carried to account current,	

October 30, 1800.

By order of the committees,

PETER D. VROOM,

STEPHEN BURROWES.

JAMES SALTAR, *Treasurer, to the state of New-Jersey, Dr.*

On account of cash received from the United States.

1800.	Dols. Cts
June 16. Received of James Ewing, commissioner of loans, two quarterly payments of principal and interest, due January 1st, and April 1st, 1800,	1786 47
Amount carried to account current,	

October 30, 1800.

By order of the committees,

PETER D. VROOM,  
STEPHEN BURROWES.

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JAMES SALTAR, *Treasurer, to the state of New-Jersey, Dr.*

On account of cash received of the commissioners of the new Loan Offices in the several counties, on account of principal and interest.

1800.	Dols. Cts.
Feb. 25. Received of Samuel Hugg, one of the commissioners for Gloucester county, 1452 dols. 37 cts. being the balance of the principal sum loaned in said county, and 82 dols. 97 cts. being the amount of interest arising thereon, since the first of May, 1799,	1,535 34
May 2. Of the board of freeholders of Mon- mouth county, per James Herbert, 70 dols. 27 cts. and 199 dols. 54 cts. on account of the principal sum loaned in said county, and 83 dols. 22 cts. be- ing the amount of interest arising thereon, since the first of May, 1799,	353 03

Carried forward,

1,888 37

Dols. Cts.

1800.	Brought forward,	1,888	37
May 20.	Received of Thomas Sayre, executor of John Holme, late one of the commissioners for Salem county, per William Parrit, 218 dols. 1 ct. on account of the principal sum loaned in said county, and 18 dols. 52 cts. being the amount of interest arising thereon, since the first of May, 1799,	236	53
24.	Of James Wright, executor of Edmund Weatherby, late one of the commissioners for Salem county, per William Parrit, 81 dols. 49 cts. on account of the principal sum loaned in said county, and 18 dols. 51 cts. being the amount of interest arising thereon since May 1, 1799,	100	00
June 21.	Of James Wright, executor of Edmund Weatherby, one of the commissioners for Salem county, per L. W. Stockton, 99 dols. 27 cts. on account of the principal sum loaned in said county, and 6 dols. 73 cts. being the amount of interest arising thereon, since May 24, 1800,	100	00
July 4.	Of Jonas Wade, one of the commissioners of the new loan office, for Essex county, 216 dols. 19 cts. on account of principal, also, 33 dols. 46 cts. being the amount of interest arising thereon, since May 1, 1799,	249	65
Aug. 28.	Of the board of freeholders of Monmouth county, per John Craig, 47 dols. 69 cts. on account of the principal, and 19 dols. 44 cts. being the amount of interest arising thereon, since May 2, 1800,	67	13
	Carried forward,	2,641	68

	Dols.	Cts.
Brought forward,	2,641	68
Sept. 5. Of John Condit, one of the commissioners for Essex county, per Silas Condit, 317 dols. 14 cts. being the balance of the principal sum loaned in said county, and 3 dols. 27 cts. being the amount of interest arising on the same,	320	41
Amount carried to account current,	2,962	09

October 30, 1800.

By order of the committees,

PETER D. VROOM,  
STEPHEN BURROWES.

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Dr.

JAMES SALTAR, *Treasurer, to—*

Account current in—

	Dols. Cts.
To balance due the state on settlement made October 29, 1799,	8,618 00
To ditto received on the tax due December — 1781,	346 00
	8,964 00
October 30, 1800.	

WE the committees of Council and Assembly, appointed—  
 do find a balance of three hundred and forty-six dol-  
 hundred and seventy-two dollars and sixty-six cents, and two—  
 December 1, 1785, and not yet exchanged, equal to eight thou-  
 remaining in the hands of the treasurer, agreeably to the above—

Dr.

JAMES SALTAR, *Treasurer, to—*

Account current in—

	Dols. Cts.
To balance due the state on settlement made October 29, 1799,	50,883 89
To ditto received on the tax due January 1, 1784,	1,071 79
To ditto received on the tax due January 1, 1783, formerly payable to the receiver of continental taxes,	654 00
	52,609 68
Carried forward,	

*—the State of New-Jersey,**Cr.**—Old State Money.*

	Dols. Cts.
By balance due in Old State Money,	346 00
By ditto 2872 dols. $66\frac{2}{3}$ cts. Specie, received at one for three on the sinking fund tax, and not yet exchanged, equal in Old State Money to	8,618 00
	8,964 00

--to settle the treasurer's accounts, having examined the above,  
--lars, Old State Money, and the sum of two thousand eight  
--thirds of a cent, Specie, received on the sinking fund tax, due  
--and six hundred and eighteen dollars, Old State Money,  
--statement.

PETER D. VROOM,  
WILLIAM McCULLOUGH,  
STEPHEN BURROWES,  
RICHARD WOOD, jun.  
JOSEPH GASTON.  
WILLIAM EDGAR, jun.

*—the State of New-Jersey,**Cr.**—Lawful money.*

	Dols. Cts.
By amount of sundry vouchers, from No. 1 to No 75, inclusive, for cash paid to the mem- bers of the Legislature, for their wages, to their clerks, door-keepers, and to the printers,	5,308 73
By do. of do. from No. 1 to No. 19, for do. paid to the officers of government on account of their salaries, and to the judges of the Su- preme Court, for holding Circuit Courts,	7,353 35
Carried forward,	12,662 08

	Dols.	Cts.
Brought forward,	52,609	68
To do. on do. due October 1st, 1783, do.	80	00
To do. on do. due January 1st, 1784, do.	803	97
To cash received of sundry persons,	2,033	14
To ditto received for sundry stage licenses,	533	33
To ditto received for fees on private laws,	3	13
To ditto received from the United States,	1,786	47
To ditto received of the commissioners of the New Loan Office—interest 260 dols. 12 cts. and principal 2701 dols. 97 cts. making	2,962	09

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60,811 81

October 30, 1800.

**W**E the committees of Council and Assembly, appointed-- and the vouchers relative thereto, viz. From No. 1 to-- No. 1 to No. 46, from No. 1 to 2, No. 1, No. 1, from No.-- lance of thirty-seven thousand two hundred and thirty-six dol-- hands of the said treasurer, agreeably to the above statement.

	Dols.	Cts.
Brought forward,	12,662	08
By do. of do. from No. 1 to No. 33, for do. paid for sundry incidental charges,	3,035	66
By do. of do. from No. 1 to No. 46, for do. paid on warrants for pensions,	2,152	80
By do. of do. from No. 1 to No. 2, for do. paid one year's interest on old State Money,	7	00
By do. of voucher No. 1, for do. paid for the principal and interest of soldiers' notes, which were funded by the United States,	31	33½
By do. of voucher No. 1, for do. paid for the principal and interest of funded notes, agree- ably to a law passed February 13, 1797,	28	89
By do. of sundry vouchers from No. 1 to 6, in- clusive, for do. paid for the principal and in- terest of Condict's militia and depreciation notes, agreeably to a law passed February 13, 1797,	78	62
By amount of sundry vouchers from No. 1 to No. 45, for do paid to the keeper of the state-pris- on, his deputy, assistants &c. agreeably to a law of February 15, 1798, and the supple- ment thereto,	5,579	03½
Balance due the state,	<u>37,236</u>	48
	<u>60,811</u>	81

--to settle the treasurer's accounts, having examined the above,  
--No. 75, from No. 1 to No. 19, from No. 1 to No. 33, from  
--1 to No 6, and from No 1 to No. 45, inclusive, do find a ba-  
--lars and forty-eight cents, lawful money, remaining in the

PETER D. VROOM,  
WILLIAM McCULLOUGH,  
STEPHEN BURROWES,  
RICHARD WOOD, jun,  
JOSEPH GASTON,  
WILLIAM EDGAR, jun.

Dr.

JAMES SALTAR, *Treasurer, to—*

Account current in—

Dols. Cts.

To ten notes signed by John Stevens, former treasurer, received of James Mott, late treasurer, agreeably to the settlement made October 29,  
1799,

63 22

October 30, 1800.

**W**E, the committees of Council and Assembly, appointed--  
do find ten notes, amounting to sixty-three dollars and--  
above statement.

Dr.

JAMES SALTAR, *Treasurer, to—*

Account current in—

Dols. Cts.

To twenty-nine notes, signed and issued by the treasurer, and countersigned by the auditor, received of James Mott, late treasurer, agreeably to the settlement made October 29, 1799,  
amounting to

882 70

October 30, 1800.

**W**E the committees of Council and Assembly, appointed--  
find twenty-nine notes, amounting to eight hundred--  
treasury, agreeably to the above statement.

—*the State of New-Jersey,*

*Cr.*

—Notes of Depreciation.

Dols. Cts.

By ten notes, signed by John Stevens, former treasurer, remaining in the hands of James Saltar, treasurer, amounting to

63 22

--to settle the treasurer's accounts, having examined the above,  
--twenty-two cents, remaining in the treasury, agreeably to the

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WILLIAM McCULLOUGH,  
STEPHEN BURROWES,  
RICHARD WOOD, jun.  
JOSEPH GASTON,  
WILLIAM EDGAR, jun.

—*the State of New-Jersey,*

*Cr.*

—Forfeited Estate Notes.

Dols. Cts.

By twenty-nine notes remaining in the hands of  
James Saltar, treasurer, amounting to

882 70

--to settle the treasurer's accounts, having examined the above, do  
—and eighty-two dollars and seventy cents, remaining in the

PETER D. VROOM,  
WILLIAM McCULLOUGH,  
STEPHEN BURROWES,  
RICHARD WOOD, jun.  
JOSEPH GASTON,  
WILLIAM EDGAR, jun.

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*Dr.**JAMES SALTAR, Treasurer, to—*

Account current in notes issued agreea—

Dols. Cts.

To one note signed and issued by the treasurer,  
 on certificates, funded agreeably to the above  
 law, received of James Mott, late treasurer, a-  
 greeably to the statement made October 29,  
 1799,

4 40

October 30, 1800.

**W**E the committees of Council and Assembly, appointed—  
 do find one note, amounting to four dollars and forty--  
 ment.

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*Dr.**JAMES SALTAR, Treasurer, to—*

On account of fines levied on persons exempt—

Dols. Cts.

To the quotas of the said fines, payable into the  
 treasury, agreeably to the returns made by the  
 several counties.

Bergen,	66 fines,	198 00
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Essex,	20 do.	60 00
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Middlesex,	81 do.	243 00
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Carried forward,	501 00
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—*the State of New-Jersey,*

*Cr.*

—bly to a law passed March 12, 1796.

	Dols. Cts.
By one note remaining in the hands of James Saltar, treasurer, amounting to	4 40

--to settle the treasurer's accounts, having examined the above cents, remaining in the treasury agreeably to the above state-

PETER D. VROOM,  
WILLIAM McCULLOUGH,  
STEPHEN BURROWES,  
RICHARD WOOD, jun.  
JOSEPH GASTON.  
WILLIAM EDGAR, jun.

—*the State of New-Jersey,*

*Cr.*

—from militia duty, due December 30, 1799.

	Dols. Cts.	Dols. Cts.
By payments made, clearances from the fines, commissions for collection and deficiencies not yet paid in by the several counties.		
Bergen,      By cash received,		99 96
By 32 clearances,	96 00	
By commissions,	2 04	
Essex,        By cash received,		58 80
By commissions,	1 20	
Middlesex,    By cash received,		232 26
By 2 clearances,	6 00	
By commissions,	4 74	
Carried forward,	109 98	391 02

	Brought forward,	Dols.	Cts.
Monmouth,	162 fines.	501	00
		486	00
Somerset,	40 do.	120	00
Burlington,	172 do.	516	00
Gloucester,	414 do.	1242	00
Salem,	254 do.	762	00
Cape-May,	28 do.	84	00
Hunterdon,	82 do.	246	00
Morris,	38 do.	114	00
Cumberland,	66 do.	198	00
Sussex,	51 do.	153	00
		4,422	00

	Dols.	Cts.	Dols.	Cts.	Dols.	Cts.
Monmouth,	Brought forward,		109	98	- 391	02
	By cash received,				111	12
	By 20 clearances,		60	00		
	By commissions,		2	22		
Somerset,	By deficiency not yet paid in,	312	66			
	By cash received,				97	02
	By 7 clearances,		21	00		
	By commissions,		1	98		
Burlington,	By cash received,				238	14
	By 91 clearances,		273	00		
	By commissions,		4	86		
	By cash received,				1040	76
Gloucester,	By 60 clearances,		180	00		
	By commissions,		21	24		
	By cash received,				652	68
	By 32 clearances,		96	00		
Salem,	By commissions,		13	32		
	By cash received,				73	50
	By 3 clearances,		9	00		
	By commissions,		1	50		
Cape-May,	By cash received,				232	26
	By 3 clearances,		9	00		
	By commissions,		4	74		
	By cash received,				94	14
Hunterdon,	By 6 clearances,		18	00		
	By commissions,		1	86		
	By cash received,				188	16
	By 2 clearances,		6	00		
Morris,	By commissions,		3	84		
	By cash received,				149	94
	By 6 clearances,					
	By commissions,		3	06		
Cumberland,	By cash received,				312	66
	By 2 clearances,				840	60
	By commissions,				3,268	74
	By cash received,					
Sussex,	By commissions,					
	Amount of deficiency not paid in,				312	66
	Do. of clearances with commissions,				840	60
	Balance carried to account current,				3,268	74
					4,422	00

By order of the committees,

PETER D. VROOM,  
STEPHEN BUROWES.

D.

JAMES SALTAR, *Treasurer, to—*

Account current in—

On account of—

	Dols. Cts.
To balance due the state on settlement made October 29, 1799,	8,036 91
To cash received on the exempt fines due December 30, 1799,	3,268 74
	11,305 65

October 30, 1800.

**W**E the committees of Council and Assembly, appointed-- and the vouchers relative, viz. from No. 1 to No. 36-- and two dollars and thirty-seven cents, remaining in the hands--

Which report was read and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Condict, from the committee to whom was referred the petition from the administrators, &c. of Elisha Lawrence, esq. deceased, presented a bill, intitled, "A supplement to the act, intitled, "An act making lands liable to be sold for the payment of debts ;" which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

The bill, intitled, "An act directing the time and mode of electing representatives in the house of representatives of the Congress of the United States for this state," was read a second time and ordered to be engrossed.

The house adjourned to three o'clock P. M.

—*the State of New-Jersey,*

*Cr.*

—*Lawful Money.*

—*the exempt fines.*

	Dols. Cts.
By amount of sundry vouchers, from No. 1 to No. 36, inclusive, for cash paid to sundry officers, their salaries, and for expences and charges in organizing equipping and train- ing the militia, &c.	2,503 28
Balance due the state,	8,802 37
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	11,305 65

--to settle the treasurer's accounts, having examined the above,  
--inclusive, do find a balance of eight thousand eight hundred  
--of the said treasurer, agreeably to the above statement.

PETER D. VROOM,  
WILLIAM McCULLOUGH,  
STEPHEN BURROWES,  
RICHARD WOOD, jun.  
JOSEPH GASTON,  
WILLIAM EDGAR, jun.

### The house met.

A petition from Elijah Allen, stating a demand against the confiscated estate of Joseph Barton, and praying payment, was read and dismissed.

The bill, intitled, "An act for the support of the government of the state of New-Jersey," was read a second time, and after some time spent thereon,

*Ordered,* That the further consideration thereof be postponed.

The engrossed bill, intitled, "An act directing the time and mode of electing representatives in the house of representatives of the Congress of the United States, for this state," was read and compared;

On the question, Whether the same do pass? It was carried in the affirmative, as follows:

Yeaſ.	Yeaſ.	Nayſ.
Meffrs. Blanch,	Meffrs. Mayhew,	Clark,
Bowen;	M' Eowen,	Condict,
Burrowes,	Mofs,	Dickerson,
Clement,	Neilſon,	Gaston,
Dey,	Pearſon,	Haas,
Dunn,	Stillwell,	Howell,
Edgar,	Stockton,	Parkhurst,
Frelinghuſen,	VanCleve,	Sharp,
French,	VanDuyne,	Speer,
Gordon,	Ward,	Voorhees.
Harrison,	Welſh,	
Keasby,	Wood,	
Leaming,	Wyckoff.	
Lippencott,		
Lloyd.		

*Ordered*, That the speaker do sign the same, and that the clerk do carry the said bill to the Council and request their concurrence therein.

The bill, intituled, "An act to incorporate the Newark aqueduct company," was read a second time, and committed to Messrs. Parkhurst, Condict and Dunn.

The house adjourned till to-morrow morning ten of the clock.

*Wednesday, November 5, 1800.*

The house met.

Mr. Clement, from the committee to whom was referred the letter and accounts of William Paterson, esq. reported as follows :

**T**HAT they have examined the said accounts, compared the respective charges with the vouchers, and the credits with the treasurer's books, and find a balance due to the said William Paterson, for money paid the printer, clerks and other incidental expenses, supported by vouchers, of two thousand two hundred and forty-one dollars and fifty-eight cents.

The committee are of opinion, that the blank referred to in the account to the discretion of the Legislature, for Mr. Pater-

son's personal services in compiling the laws of this state, should be filled up with the sum of two thousand five hundred dollars ; there will then be due to the said William Paterson, esq. a balance of four thousand seven hundred and forty-one dollars and fifty-eight cents.

By order of the committee,

ABEL CLEMENT.

Which report was read and ordered a second reading.

Mr. VanDuyn, from the committee to whom was referred the petition of the town committee of the township of Shrewsbury, in the county of Monmouth, reported as follows :

**T**HAT they have examined the same, and are of opinion that the existing laws of the state are fully adequate to answer the prayer of your petitioners, and are therefore of opinion their petition ought not to be granted.

By order of the committee,

JAMES VANDUYN.

Which report was read and agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the said petition be dismissed.

Mr. Stillwell, from the committee to whom was referred the petition of Jedediah Swan and Jonathan H. Osborn, and the vouchers accompanying the same, reported as follows :

**T**HAT it appears to your committee, that William Hobrow and Simon Cortelyou, entered into an agreement for the plantation whereon the said Hobrow then lived, for a certain sum of money, as will appear by an article of agreement entered into by the said parties ; and that the said William Hobrow died intestate without fulfilling the contract, and no person authorized by him to complete the same ; the said Simon Certelyou hath paid the sum of £ 337 17 6, as part of the purchase money, and has taken possession of the farm ; it also appears, that the estate is very much encumbered and no means of discharging the debts, unless the contract can be fulfilled—It further appears, that the administrators have, for eight weeks, advertised in the New-Brunswick papers, the intended application to the Legislature, to have a law passed to authorize them to complete the said contract ; it is therefore the opinion of your committee, that a law ought to pass to vest the administrators with power to complete the same.

By order of the committee,

JOSEPH STILLWELL.

Whereupon,

Mr. Stillwell presented a bill, intitled, "An act to authorize Jedediah Swan and Jonathan H. Osborn, administrators to the estate of William Hobrow, to carry into effect a contract made between the said William Hobrow and Simon Cortelyou;" which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

The house adjourned to three o'clock, P. M.

The house met.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Lippencott have leave of absence on special business.

The house adjourned until to-morrow morning ten of the clock.

*Thursday, November 6, 1800.*

The house met.

Mr. Harrison, from the committee to whom was referred the petition of a number of the inhabitants of the county of Middlesex, on the subject of improving the navigation of the river Macheponix in said county, praying that the exclusive right of navigation, for that purpose, be vested in James Abrahams and William Wicoff—reported,

**T**HAT from such information as they have been able to collect on the subject matter contained in said petition, they are of opinion that the said James Abrahams and William Wicoff, ought to have leave to present a bill for that purpose on the first Monday of the next fitting of the Legislature, they advertising the same, with a copy of this report, in the public papers printed in the cities of Trenton and New-Brunswick, at least two weeks previous thereto.

By order of the committee,

SAMUEL W. HARRISON.

Which report was read and agreed to.

Mr. Bowen, with leave, and in behalf of the petitioners, presented a bill, intitled, "An act to incorporate into a township a part of the townships of Fairfield and Maurice River, in the

county of Cumberland ;" which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

Mr. Parkhurst, agreeably to leave given, and in behalf of the petitioners, presented a bill, intitled, "An act to confirm and establish a road laid out in the year seventeen hundred and ninety-seven, from South-Orange, in the county of Essex, to Passaic River, and authorizing the commissioners therein named to lay out a road, from the said Passaic River, to the town of Morris in the county of Morris, thereby compleating the said road, in as direct a line as may be, from Newark in the county of Essex ;" whereupon sundry petitions from Morris and Essex counties were presented in opposition to the said bill.

*Ordered*, That the same be read a second time.

On motion,

*Resolved*, That the treasurer of the state is hereby authorized and directed to receive, from any person, such bills of credit of this state, of the emission of one thousand seven hundred and eighty-six, generally called Loan Office Money, as shall be presented to him at any time before the first day of November next, and give specie in exchange therefor.

*Ordered*, That the clerk do carry the said resolution to the Council for concurrence.

*Ordered*, That Messrs. Harrison, VanDuyn and Gordon, be a committee to examine the accounts of the agents of forfeited estates, and report the same to this house.

*Ordered*, That Messrs. Haas, Voorhees and Howell, be a committee to prepare and present a bill for defraying incidental charges.

A petition from Matthias Williamson, esquire, and others, in behalf of their associates, praying leave to present a bill for incorporating a company to improve the great post road, by turnpikes, between the cities of Philadelphia and New-York, was read and committed to Messrs. Neilson, VanCleve and Pierson.

The speaker laid before the house a letter from James Mott, esquire, late treasurer, stating that Samuel Hays, agent of forfeited estates for Essex county, has, in his hands, a sum of money for the state, which he, the said treasurer, did not think himself, by law, authorized to receive, and suggesting the propriety of the present treasurer's being directed to receive the same, was read and committed to Messrs. Condict, Clement and Wyckoff.

*Ordered*, That Messrs. Dey, Clark, Dunn, Lloyd, Van Duyn, Stockton, Clement, Mayhew, Leaming, Burrowes, Condict, Bowen and Dickerson, be a committee to take into consideration the propriety of raising a tax for the next year and to bring in a bill for that purpose.

The house resumed the consideration of the bill, intitled, "An act for the support of the government of the state of New-Jersey," and having gone through the same,

*Ordered*, That the said bill be engrossed.

A certificate of half-pay in favour of Elizabeth Eppin, late Elizabeth Watkins, widow of Solomon Watkins, jun. late a soldier of this state, who died in the service of the United States, was read and committed to Messrs. Welsh, Speer and Edgar.

The house adjourned to three o'clock P. M.

The house met.

Mr. Condict, from the committee to whom was referred the letter from James Mott, esquire, of this morning, presented the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the treasurer be authorized and directed to receive from Samuel Hays, agent of forfeited estates for the county of Essex, one hundred and twenty dollars, in lieu of two thousand dollars in continental loan office certificates, dated in 1779, which were delivered to the said agent in payment of a debt, due from Lewis Pintard to the Jauncy, which debt became forfeited to this state, and that the said treasurer discharge the said agent from any further demand from the state, on account of the said certificates.

Which resolution was read and agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the clerk do carry the said resolution to the Council for concurrence.

Mr. Frelinghuysen, from the committee to whom was referred the petition of Isaac Richman, William Mulford and Isaac Howey, praying that leave may be given them to bring in a bill to break the entailment of an estate, devised to the said Isaac Richman, reported as follows :

**T**HAT your committee are of opinion, that the prayer of the said petition ought not to be granted.

By order of the committee,

FRED. FRELINGHUYSEN.

Which report was read and agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the said petition be dismissed.

The report of Mr. Burrowes, from the committee appointed to join a committee of Council, for the purpose of settling the accounts of James Saltar, esquire, treasurer, was read and agreed to.

A certificate of half-pay in favor of Mary Shinfelt, late Mary Saunders, widow of Richard Saunders, late a soldier of this state, who died in the service of the United States, was read and committed to Messrs. Welsh, Speer and Edgar.

A certificate of half-pay in favor of William Clark, was read and committed to Messrs. Welsh, Speer and Edgar.

The house resumed the consideration of the bill, intitled, "An act to incorporate the Newark aqueduct company," and after some time spent thereon,

*Ordered*, That the said bill be committed to Messrs. Edgar, M'Eowen and Parkhurst.

Mr. Mayhew, agreeably to leave given, and in behalf of the petitioners, presented a bill, intitled, "An act to empower the governor of this state to incorporate a company, to cut a canal to shorten the navigation of Salem Creek, in the county of Salem and state of New-Jersey;" which bill was read, and a petition for and against the passing of the same, were read and committed to Messrs. Mayhew, Keasby and Mofs.

Mr. Ward, from the committee appointed to join a committee of Council, to examine the accounts relative to the state-prison, reported the following statement of an account, as certified by the acting committee and examined by the joint committee :

*Dr.*

## STATE-PRISON,

*General Ac—*

1800. Dols. Cts.

Sept. 30. L. No. 1.	To total amount of cash received from the treasury to this day inclusive,	12,830	20
2.	To sundry court charges against the prisoners, unpaid, but which are charged to them and included in the balance due from them,	702	78
3.	To debts due to sundries from the prison,	301	72
		13,834	70
	Balance supposed to arise from the provision account in favor of the prison,	189	93
		14,024	63

—count Current.	Contra.	Cr.
		Dols. Cts.
L. No. 1. By balance of the nail-factory account, in which account is included all the iron, nails, &c. on hand, and also the machinery, &c. for carrying on the said branch, viz.		
2. The iron, nails, &c. on hand amount to	Dols. 1282 72	15297 30
3. Machinery cost,	613 37	
4. Nail casks, kegs, &c.on hand, amount to	122 00	
	2018 09	
5. By balance of the shoe-fac- tory account, in which account is included all the leather, shoes and tools on hand, viz.		
6. The leather and shoes on hand amount to	154 90	
7. Tools cost,	11 28	126 08
	166 18	
8. By balance due from the prisoners,		1,404 96
9. By out standing debts due to the pri- son for nails, &c. sold, which by contract does not become due until January 1, 1801.		
10. By balance of cloathing account, for furndries on hand,		5,397 79
11. By cash paid the keeper, his assistants and clerk from the commencement to this day,		210 79
12. By balance of incidental expenses, ac- count being for fire-wood, labour in the yard, repairs, horse and cart, stoves, beds and bedding, candle and lamp light, kitchen furniture, &c.&c.		3,955 54
13. By cash on hand,	1,516 17 116 00	
	14,024 63	

**W**E the acting committee of inspectors of the state-prison, do hereby certify, that we have examined the particulars of the above accounts, of William Crooks, keeper of the said Prison, both as to receipts and disbursements thereof, and do believe them to be just and true.

M. FURMAN,  
PETER GORDON.

And your committee have also examined the accounts of Moore Furman, esquire, for the expenditure of one thousand five hundred dollars, appropriated for the purpose of building an infirmary and cells.

By order of the committees,

WILLIAM WALLACE,  
PETER WARD.

By the accounts settled by the committee with Moore Furman, it appears that he drew from the treasury, Dols. 1,500 00

That he had appropriated for repairing the state-prison, damaged by fire, as appears by vouchers from No. 1 to No. 14, inclusive, the sum of Dols. 642 04

That he had purchased sundry materials, which remain at the state-prison, for building cells, which cost, as per vouchers from No. 1 to No. 29,

751 40

1,393 44      1,393 44

Balance due the state in the hands of Moore Furman, esquire. Dols. 106 56

Which report was read and ordered a second reading.

A message from the Council, by Mr. Beatty, their secretary.  
Mr. Speaker,

The Council have passed the bill, intitled, "An act directing the time and mode of electing representatives in the House of Representatives of the Congress of the United States, for this state," with sundry amendments; which bill he presented with the amendments, and to which amendments he requested the concurrence of this house.

Which bill, as amended, was read, the amendments agreed to and the bill ordered to be re-engrossed.

Mr. Beatty, presented a bill from Council, intitled, "An act respecting a certain cartway in the county of Bergen," to which he requested the concurrence of this house.

Which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

The house adjourned till to-morrow morning ten of the clock.

*Friday, November 7, 1800.*

The house met.

Mr. Dunn, from the committee to whom was referred, that part of the secretary's letter respecting the bond given by James Mott, late treasurer of the state of New-Jersey, reported,

**T**HAT notwithstanding policy and precedent would authorize a further detention of said bond, the fifth section of an act respecting the treasury, directs the said bond to be given up on an approved settlement of his accounts; your committee are therefore induced to give it as their opinion, that the said bond ought to be delivered up to the said James Mott.

By order of the committee,

GERSHOM DUNN.

Which report was read and agreed to; whereupon,

*Resolved*, That the secretary be, and he hereby is directed to deliver to James Mott, late treasurer, the bond given by him and his sureties for the faithful execution of his office as treasurer whenever he may call for the same.

*Ordered*, That the clerk do carry the said resolution to the Council for concurrence.

The re-engrossed bill, intitled, "An act directing the time and mode of electing representatives in the House of Representatives of the Congress of the United States, for this state," was read and compared;

*Resolved*, That the same do pass.

*Ordered*, That the speaker do sign the same, and that the clerk do carry the said bill to Council and acquaint them that the same is passed by this house with their amendments.

The engrossed bill, intitled, "An act requiring the clerk's office of the county of Sussex to be kept at Newton in the said county;" was read and compared;

*Resolved unanimously,* That the same do pass.

*Ordered,* That the speaker do sign the same, and that the clerk do carry the said bill to the Council for concurrence.

On motion,

*Ordered,* That Messrs. Blanch, Lloyd and Sharp, be a committee to examine the accounts of John Imlay, one of the commissioners appointed by law for repairing the stage-road, and report thereon.

A message from the Council, by Mr. Beatty, their secretary.

Mr. Speaker,

The resolution authorizing and directing the treasurer to receive the bills of credit of this state, usually called Loan-Office Money, and give specie in exchange therefor, is concurred in by Council.

On motion,

*Resolved,* That the printers of the New-Jersey Gazette be authorized to print three hundred and fifty copies of "An act directing the time and mode of electing representatives, in the House of Representatives of the Congress of the United States, for this state," for the use of the state.

*Ordered,* That the clerk do carry the said resolution to Council for concurrence.

The bill, intitled, "An act for the more speedy relief of persons confined for debt," was read a second time, with a petition from the prisoners now confined for debt in the gaol of the county of Hunterdon, praying that the same may be passed, was read, and after some time spent thereon,

*Ordered,* That the said bill and petitions be dismissed.

Mr. Neilson, from the committee to whom was committed the memorial and petition of Matthias Williamson, jun. Aaron Ogden, Jonathan Rhea, and their associates, reported as follows:

THAT your committee, viewing the objects contemplated by the said memorialists and petitioners, as useful and highly interesting to the state, and to the United States, are of opinion, that agreeably to their memorial and petition, they

should have leave to present a bill on the second Thursday of the next meeting of the Legislature, for incorporating them and their associates, empowering them to take decisive measures towards improving the great post-road through this state, by turnpikes, and otherwise to facilitate the intercourse of the country by means of a bridge, to be erected across the river or bay between Elizabeth-Town and Bergen points, previously advertising the purport of the said bill, and continuing it for four weeks, in one of the public papers printed in each of the following places, viz. Newark, Elizabeth-Town, New-Brunswick and Trenton.

By order of the committee,  
JOHN NEILSON.

Which report was read and agreed to.

The house adjourned to three o'clock P. M.

The house met.

Mr. Edgar, from the committee to whom was referred the bill, intitled, "An act to incorporate the Newark aqueduct company," reported the same with sundry amendments; which bill, as amended, was read and ordered to be engrossed.

Mr. VanDuyne, from the committee to whom was referred the petition of Elnathan Davis, and the vouchers accompanying the same, reported as follows:

**T**HAT they have carefully examined them, and are of opinion the prayer of the petitioner ought to be granted.

By order of the committee,  
JAMES VANDUYN.

Which report was read and agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the petitioner have leave to present a bill agreeably to the prayer of his petition.

A petition from the inhabitants of the city of New-Brunswick, praying that their present charter of incorporation may be revised, was read and leave given to the petitioners to present a bill to answer the prayer of their petition.

The bill, intitled, "A supplement to the act, intitled, "An act making lands liable to be sold for the payment of debts," was read a second time and ordered to be engrossed.

The house adjourned till to-morrow morning ten of the clock.

Saturday, November 8, 1800.

The house met.

Mr. Mayhew, from the committee to whom was referred the bill, intitled, "An act to empower the governor of this state to incorporate a company to cut a canal to shorten the navigation of Salem-Creek, in the county of Salem and state of New-Jersey," reported the same with sundry amendments; which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

The report of Mr. VanCleve, of the 21st of October last, on the petition of Josiah Hunt, was read a second time, and with the petition of the said Josiah Hunt, was re-committed to Messrs. French, Stillwell and Gaston.

On motion,

*Ordered*, That Messrs. Pearson, Neilson and VanDyck, be a committee to enquire particularly into the nature of the deficiencies of taxes in several of the counties of this state, stated in the accounts of the treasurer; that they enquire what suits have been commenced for the recovery of those deficiencies, and in what situation those suits now are; that they enquire what suits ought to be commenced, if any, and what claims, stated by the treasurer, if any, ought to be relinquished by the state, and that they report on those several objects to the house.

A message from the Council, by Mr. Beatty, their secretary.

Mr. Speaker,

The resolution authorizing the treasurer to receive from Samuel Hays, agent of forfeited estates for the county of Essex, the sum of one hundred and twenty dollars, in lieu of two thousand dollars, continental loan-office certificates, and to discharge the said agent from any further demand on account of the said certificates, is concurred in by Council.

Mr. Beatty also informed the house, that the resolution authorizing the printers of the New-Jersey Gazette, to print 350 copies of the act, intitled, "An act directing the time and mode of electing representatives, in the House of Representatives of the Congress of the United States, for this state," is concurred in by Council.

The engrossed bill, intitled, "A supplement to the act, intitled, "An act making lands liable to be sold for the payment of debts," was read and compared;

*Resolved unanimously,* That the same do pass.

*Ordered,* That the speaker do sign the same, and that the clerk do carry the said bill to the Council for concurrence.

The report of Mr. Speer, on the petition of Thomas Crowell, jun. marked No. 4, in the report of unfinished business, was read a second time, and committed to Messrs. Lippencott, Howell and Clark.

The report of Mr. Bowen, of the 31st ultimo, on the petition of Thomas Henderson, was read a second time, and agreed to, and the papers ordered to be dismissed.

Mr. Frelinghuysen, one of the managers appointed by this house, to conduct the impeachment against Elijah Godfrey, esq. a justice of the peace, for the County of Cape-May, presented the following extract from the minutes of Council, which was read and ordered to be filed.

*Council-Chamber, November 8, 1800.*

Whereas this house did, on the fifth instant, unanimously decide that the impeachment against Elijah Godfrey, esquire, a justice of the peace of the County of Cape-May, was so far supported as that he, the said Elijah Godfrey, esquire, ought to be dismissed from office; therefore,

*Resolved unanimously,* That the said Elijah Godfrey, esquire, be accordingly dismissed from his office, as a justice of the peace of the County of Cape-May, and that a copy of this resolution, served upon the said Elijah Godfrey, shall be a *supersedias* of his said office, and also, that the secretary of this house, furnish another copy to the managers, on the part of the House of Assembly.

A true copy from the minutes,  
JOHN BEATTY, secretary.

The house adjourned till Monday morning, ten of the clock.

*Monday, November 10, 1800.*

The house met.

*Ordered,* That Mr. Wood have leave of absence for the remainder of this sitting.

The engrossed bill, intitled, "An act to incorporate the Newark aqueduct company," was read and compared;

*Resolved unanimously,* That the same do pass.

*Ordered,* That the speaker do sign the same, and that the clerk do carry the said bill to the Council for concurrence.

Mr. Lippencott, from the committee to whom was referred the petition of Thomas Crowell, jun. reported,

**T**HAT having examined the petition to them referred, they are of opinion that the prayer of the petitioner ought not to be granted.

By order of the committee,

JOB LIPPENCOTT.

Which report was read and agreed to.

*Ordered,* That the petition of Thomas Crowell, jun. be dismissed.

The engrossed bill, intitled, "An act to authorize Jedediah Swan and Jonathan H. Osborn, administrators of the estate of William Hobrow, to carry into effect a contract made between the said William Hobrow and Simon Cortelyou," was read and compared;

*Resolved unanimously,* That the same do pass.

*Ordered,* That the speaker do sign the same, and that the clerk do carry the said bill to the Council for concurrence.

The report of Mr. Clement, of the 5th instant, from the committee to whom was referred the letter and accounts of Mr. Paterson, was read a second time, and agreed to; whereupon, Messrs. Clement, Neilson and Leaming, were ordered to prepare and present a bill, agreeably to the said report.

The bill, intitled, "An act to empower the governor of this state to incorporate a company to cut a canal to shorten the navigation of Salem-Creek, in the county of Salem and state of New-Jersey," was read a second time, debated and ordered to be engrossed.

The house adjourned to three o'clock, P. M.

The house met.

The bill, intitled, "An act to confirm and establish a road

laid out in the year seventeen hundred and ninety-seven, from South-Orange, in the county of Essex, to Passaic river, and authorizing the commissioners therein named, to lay out a road from the said Passaic river to the town of Morris, in the county of Morris, thereby completing a road, in as direct a line as may be, from Newark, in the county of Essex, to Morris-Town, in the county of Morris," was read a second time and dismissed with the petitions accompanying the same.

The paper, marked No. 1, in the report of unfinished business, containing a resolution from the state of Delaware, proposing an amendment to the constitution of the United States, was read and committed to Messrs. Frelinghuysen, Welsh and Harrison.

Mr. French, from the committee to whom was referred the petition of Josiah Hunt, reported,

**T**HAT it is the opinion of the said committee, that the prayer of the petitioner be granted, provided he give sufficient security to the state, respecting the loss of a certain note of £75 0 0 3-4, issued to him by the state of New-Jersey, &c. (in case the said note should be found to have been paid, to refund the same) for the depreciation of his pay, as a soldier in the army of the United States, set forth in said petition.

By order of the committee,

SAMUEL FRENCH.

Which report was read and agreed to ; whereupon,

Mr. French presented a bill, intitled, " An act for the relief of Josiah Hunt ;" which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

Mr. Bowen, with leave, and in behalf of the petitioner, presented a bill, intitled, " An act for the relief of the administrators of Jeremiah Youngs, deceased ;" which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

A petition from Henry Perine, stating a demand against the state and praying payment, was read and committed to Messrs. VanCleve, Voorheese and Gordon.

A message from the Council, by Mr. Beatty, their secretary.

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have passed the bill, intitled, " A supplement to the act, intitled, " An act making lands liable for the payment of

debts," with sundry amendments; which bill, with the amendments, he presented, and to which amendments he requested the concurrence of this house.

Which bill, as amended, was read;

*Resolved*, That this house do adhere to their bill.

*Ordered*, That the clerk do carry back the said bill to the Council, and acquaint them that this house do adhere to their bill.

The house adjourned till to-morrow morning ten of the clock.

*Tuesday, November 11, 1800.*

The house met.

Mr. Clement, from the committee appointed for that purpose, presented a bill, intitled, "An act to authorize the treasurer of this state to pay to William Paterson, esquire, certain sums of money;" which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

Mr. VanCleve, agreeably to leave given, and in behalf of the petitioner, presented a bill, intitled, "An act for the relief of John Warre;" which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

The bill, intitled, "An act respecting a certain causeway, in the county of Bergen," was read a second time, and committed to Messrs. Dunn, Lippencott and Bowen.

The engrossed bill, intitled, "An act for the support of the government of the state of New-Jersey," was read and compared;

On the question, Whether the same do pass? It was carried in the affirmative, as follows:

Yea.	Yea.	Yea.
Messrs. Blanch,	Messrs. Dunn,	Messrs. Haas,
Bowen,	Edgar,	Harrison,
Burrowes,	Frelinghuysen,	Howell,
Clark,	French,	Kealby,
Clement,	Gaston,	Leaming,
Dey,	Gordon,	Lippencott,

Yeaſ.	Yeaſ.	Nayſ.
Meffrs. Lloyd,	Meffrs. Stockton,	Meffrs. Dickerson
Mayhew,	Speer,	Parkhurst.
M' Eowen,	VanCleve,	
Mols,	VanDuyn,	
Neilſon,	Voorhees,	
Pearſon,	Ward,	
Sharp,	Wyckoff,	
Stillwell,		

*Ordered*, That the speaker do sign the same, and that the clerk do carry the said bill to the Council for concurrence.

The report of Mr. Ward, from the joint-committee of Council and Assembly, appointed to examine and settle the accounts relative to the state-prison, with the report and statements accompanying the same, were read a second time and agreed to.

*Ordered*, That Meffrs. Frelinghuſen, Dickerson and Pearſon, be a committee to report by bill or otherwise, whether any, and what alterations, are necessary to be made in an act to ascertain the times and places of holding the court of appeals.

A message from the Council, by Mr. Beatty, their secretary.  
Mr. Speaker,

The Council have passed the bill, intitled, "An act to authorize Jedediah Swan and Jonathan H. Osborn, administrators to the estate of William Hobrow, to carry into effect a contract made between the said William Hobrow and Simion Cortelyou," with fundry amendments; which bill and amendments he presented, and to which amendments he requested the concurrence of this house.

Which bill and amendments were read and ordered a second reading.

Mr. Beatty returned the bill, intitled, "A supplement to the act, intitled, "An act making lands liable to be fold for the payment of debts," and informed the house that Council recede from their amendments made to the said bill.

Mr. Beatty, also returned to this house, from the Council, the bill, intitled, "An act requiring the clerk's office of the county of Sussex, to be kept at Newton in the said county," with fundry amendments made thereto by Council, to which amendments he requested the concurrence of this house.

Which bill was read, with the amendments, and ordered a second reading.

The bill, intitled, "An act for the relief of the children of Samuel Cooke, late of Monmouth county, deceased," was read a second time and postponed.

The house adjourned to three o'clock, P. M.

The house met.

The bill, intitled, "An act for the relief of Josiah Hunt," was read a second time and ordered to be engrossed.

A memorial from the gentlemen of the bar in this state, stating objections to the fifth section of the act, intitled, "An act relative to statutes," passed the 13th of June, 1799, and desiring that the same may be repealed, was presented, read, and ordered a second reading, with the bill, intitled, "A supplement to the act, intitled, "An act relative to statutes."

The house adjourned till to-morrow morning ten of the clock.

*Wednesday November 12, 1800.*

The house met.

The engrossed bill, intitled, "An act to empower the governor of this state to incorporate a company to cut a canal to shorten the navigation of Salem-Creek, in the county of Salem," was read and compared;

*Resolved unanimously,* That the same do pass.

*Ordered,* That the speaker do sign the same, and that the clerk do carry the said bill to the Council for concurrence.

Mr. Frelinghuysen, with leave, presented a bill, intitled, "An act partially to repeal part of an act therein named;" which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

A petition from Andrew Craig, stating a deficiency in the records of the clerk's office of the county of Burlington, in not making an entry of final judgment on an inquisition found against John Carty, for joining the army of the King of Great-Britain, and praying that the omission may be remedied by law, with a letter in opposition thereto, from the attorneys of the heirs

of the said John Carty, were read and committed to Messrs. Condict, Frelinghuysen and Stillwell.

The engrossed bill, intitled, "An act for the relief of Josiah Hunt," was read and compared;

*Resolved unanimously;* That the same do pass.

*Ordered,* That the speaker do sign the same, and that the clerk do carry the said bill to the Council for concurrence.

The bill, intitled, "An act for the relief of the administrators of Jeremiah Youngs, deceased," was read a second time and ordered to be engrossed.

Mr. Welsh, from the committee to whom was referred the application of Frederick Shinselt and Mary his wife, together with the application of William Eppin and Elizabeth his wife, reported,

**T**HAT on examining the claims and vouchers accompanying the same, the committee are of opinion that said claims and papers ought to be dismissed.

By order of the committee,

DAVID WELSH.

Which report was read and agreed to.

Mr. Welsh, from the committee to whom was referred the petition of William Clark, reported,

**T**HAT on examining the petition and vouchers accompanying the same, and the law on which such claims are founded, the committee are of opinion said petition and papers ought to be dismissed.

By order of the committee,

DAVID WELSH.

Which report was read and re-committed, with the papers, to the same committee.

Mr. Frelinghuysen from the committee appointed for that purpose, presented a bill, intitled, "A supplement to an act to ascertain the times and places of holding the court of appeals;" which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

The bill, intitled, "An act for the relief of John Warne," was read a second time and dismissed.

The house adjourned to three o'clock P. M.

The house met.

The members withdrew to attend a joint-meeting, and being returned, the speaker resumed the chair, and

The house adjourned till to-morrow morning ten of the clock.

*Thursday, November 13, 1800.*

The house met.

Mr. Pearson, from the committee appointed to enquire into the nature of the deficiencies of taxes in the several counties in this state, reported as follows :

THAT your committee have applied to the treasurer for an account of those deficiencies, to whose report marked No. 1, hereto annexed, they beg leave to refer the house. The report of the attorney-general, No. 2, also annexed, will shew the situation of the actions commenced in behalf of the state for those deficiencies.

Your committee, agreeably to their instructions, have enquired into the nature of the deficiency of the amount charged to the county of Burlington, and are unanimously of opinion, that the same ought to be relinquished on the part of the state, the same having arisen from an act of the Legislature, passed November 12, 1790; to which act they beg leave to refer the house.

By order of the committee,  
WILLIAM PEARSON.

No. 1, referred to in the above report.

The counties deficient in the payment of old taxes, as will appear by the last settlement with the treasurer, are as follow, to wit :

	<i>State Money.</i>		<i>Lawful Money.</i>	
	Dols.	Cts.	Dols.	Cts.
Bergen,			369	32
Monmouth,			6836	34
Burlington,	1533	36	1548	48
Hunterdon,	506	74	2538	94
Morris,	2171	51	11522	75
Sussex,	1197	95	8383	68
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	5409	56	31199	51

A prosecution was ordered to be brought against Isaac Vanderbeek, former collector of Bergen county, for the above balance, together with a much larger sum; but the greater part having been paid, and promises given of paying the whole, the suit has been delayed.

Kenneth Hankinson, former collector of Monmouth county, has been prosecuted for the above balance, but the trial has been postponed from time to time, and at last moved into chancery, where it is now pending.

A suit has been brought against the board of freeholders of Burlington county for the above balance, and is now pending.

The board of freeholders of Hunterdon county have taken the above deficiency upon themselves, and it is said by obtaining judgments against former county officers and their securities, they have secured a sufficient sum for paying it off, which, from what I have understood, will be done in a short time.

An action has been brought against the board of freeholders of Morris county, for the before stated balance, and is still pending.

It appears that judgment was obtained, before Chief-Judge Brearley, against John Armstrong, former collector of Sussex county, for the arrears of taxes, due December 1, 1785, of which there remains due, on the sinking fund tax, the sum of 1434 dols. 48 cents, being one of the charges against the county of Sussex, and that the sum of 3177 dols. 80 cents, is still due, being the deficiency of the taxes payable to the continental receiver on the 1st of October, 1783, and 1st of January, 1784, for which a suit has been brought against the said John Armstrong; but what part of these sums have been ordered to be re-assessed by the county, cannot be exactly ascertained. The other charges appear to be due from the county, amounting to 1197 dols. 95 cents, state money, and 3771 dols. 40 cents, lawful money, being the deficiency of the tax payable to the continental receiver on the 1st of January, 1783.

JAMES SALTAR.

No. 2. referred to in the above report.

Statement of the prosecutions depending for the deficiencies of taxes.

#### I. BERGEN.

A suit appears to be instituted against Isaac Vanderbeek, form-

er collector of Bergen county, returnable to the term of September, 1790. Declaration was duly filed, an appearance entered for the defendant, and the proceedings were stayed on account of payment of monies and promises to pay the residue, as appears by the statement made by the treasurer.

## II. MONMOUTH.

The statement of the treasurer contains the information on this subject to the suit in chancery, which is depending. The bill was brought by Kenneth Hankinson, former collector of Monmouth, and the defendant at law against the treasurer of the state and the board of chosen freeholders of the county of Monmouth—Answers have been duly filed by the treasurer and the board. The cause will be at issue the ensuing term, and will come on to be heard as soon as the business of the court will permit.

## III. BURLINGTON.

A suit has been brought against the board of freeholders of the county of Burlington. The writ was returnable to November term, 1798. Declaration filed December 1, 1798. The defendants have entered an appearance, and intend a defence on the merits. The suit has been postponed in order that they may have an opportunity to try the cause.

## IV. MORRIS,

Is in the same situation with that of Burlington.

## V. HUNTERDON.

A judgment has been obtained, as stated by the treasurer, against the securities of Joshua Corshon, deceased; for a sum sufficient to discharge the demands of the treasurer against the county, execution has been issued and returned levied, and the late sheriff of Hunterdon has been amerced, and the money will, I expect, be made thereon in a short time, and paid forward to the treasurer.

## VI. SUSSEX.

The proceedings having been had by the late treasurer before the late chief justice, and the other suit having been brought as stated by the treasurer, I can only add that the suit appears to have been brought and declaration filed, of May term, 1790.

AARON DICKINSON WOODRUFF,

Attorney-General.

Which report, with the said papers accompanying the same, No. 1 and No. 2, were read and ordered a second reading.

The members withdrew to attend a joint-meeting, and being returned, the speaker resumed the chair, and

The house adjourned to three o'clock P. M.

The house met.

The bill, intitled, "An act to authorize the treasurer of this state to pay to William Paterson, esquire, certain sums of money," was read a second time and ordered to be engrossed.

The bill, intitled, "An act partially to repeal part of an act therein named," was read a second time and ordered to be engrossed.

A message from the Council, by Mr. Beatty, their secretary.

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have passed the bill, intitled, "An act for the support of the government of the state of New-Jersey."

Mr. Beatty returned from Council the bill, intitled, "An act to incorporate the Newark aqueduct company," with sundry amendments made thereto by Council, to which amendments he requested the concurrence of this house; which bill, as amended, was read and ordered a second reading.

The house resumed the consideration of the bill, intitled, "An act for the relief of the children of Samuel Cooke, late of Monmouth county, deceased," and after some time spent thereon,

*Ordered*, That the said bill be dismissed.

A message from the Council, by Mr. Beatty, their secretary.

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have disagreed to the bill, intitled, "An act for the relief of Josiah Hunt."

A petition from Joseph Brown, a prisoner confined in the gaol of the county of Essex, praying that the act for the relief of insolvent debtors may, by law, be extended to him—And a petition from William E. Imlay, praying, for reasons by him stated, that Isaac Rogers, confined on an action of trespass at his suit, may not be allowed the benefit of the act for the relief of insolvent debtors, were read;

*Ordered*, That the said petitions be committed to Messrs. Ward, Edgar and Keasby.

Mr. Neilson, with leave, presented a bill, intitled, "An act

to alter and amend the charter of the city of New-Brunswick;" which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

The house adjourned till to-morrow morning ten of the clock.

*Friday, November 14, 1800.*

The house met.

Mr. Dey, from the committee who were appointed to take into consideration the propriety of raising a tax for the next year, reported as follows :

**T**HAT they have examined the state of the treasury and also the amount of the taxes due from several counties, and are of opinion that it is inexpedient and unnecessary to raise a tax for the next year.

By order of the committee,

JOHN DEY.

Which report was read and ordered a second reading.

Mr. VanCleve, from the committee to whom was referred the petition of Henry Perine, and the vouchers accompanying the same, reported as follows :

**T**HAT having examined the same, the committee are of opinion the prayer of the petitioner ought to be granted.

By order of the committee,

BENJAMIN VANCLEVE.

Which report was read and disagreed to.

*Ordered*, That the said petition, and papers accompanying the same, be dismissed.

Mr. Condict, from the committee to whom was referred the petition of Andrew Craig, reported as follows :

1. **T**HAT an inquisition was duly found and returned against John Carty, of the county of Burlington, in the year of our Lord, seventeen hundred and seventy-eight.

2. That an execution was issued, directed to the commissioners of forfeited estates of the county of Burlington, commanding them to sell the real estate of the said John Carty.

3. That by virtue of said execution, the commissioners sold the house in the petition mentioned, and by the usual deed conveyed the same to the purchasers.

4. That it appears that no final judgment was entered in the minutes of the court against John Carty on the inquisition aforesaid, but the petitioner alleges that the said judgment was actually rendered, but not entered, by the omission of the clerk ; of which allegation the said petitioner has not produced sufficient proof before your committee.

5. On this statement your committee are of opinion, that a day be given to the petitioner to substantiate the allegation aforesaid by proof, which if done, your committee are of opinion he is entitled to relief from the Legislature.

By order of the committee,

SILAS CONDICT.

Which report was read and ordered a second reading.

A petition from Samuel Norris, stating a claim on the state, and praying payment, was read and committed to Messrs. Moss, French and Lloyd.

Mr. Neilson, with leave, presented a bill, intitled, "An act for altering and establishing the times of holding the courts in and for the county of Middlesex ;" which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

Mr. Ward, from the committee to whom was referred the petition of William E. Imlay, reported as follows :

**T**HAT it is the opinion of your committee, that the prayer of the petitioner ought to be granted, and that the petitioner have leave to present a bill accordingly.

Your committee further report, that they have taken into consideration the petition of Joseph Brown, sen. and are of opinion that the prayer of the petitioner ought not to be granted.

By order of the committee,

PETER WARD.

The first paragraph of the said report being read, was agreed to ; whereupon,

Mr. Ward presented a bill, intitled, "An act to prevent the act, intitled, "An act for the relief of insolvent debtors being extended for the relief of Isaac Rogers, now confined in the goal of the county of Monmouth ;" which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

The second paragraph of the said report was read and ordered a second reading.

Mr. Dunn, from the committee to whom was referred the bill from Council, intitled, "An act respecting a certain causeway in the county of Bergen," reported amendments thereto, under the following title : "An act respecting causeways," which was read and ordered a second reading.

The house adjourned to three o'clock, P. M.

The house met.

The bill, intitled, "An act to authorize Jedediah Swan and Jonathan H. Osborn, administrators to the estate of William Hobrow, to carry into effect a contract made between the said William Hobrow and Simon Cortelyou," was read a second time with the amendment made thereto by Council ; the amendment was agreed to and the said bill ordered to be re-engrossed.

Mr. Blanch, from the committee to whom was referred the accounts of John Imlay, one of the commissioners for laying out certain monies on the stage road leading from Burlington and Bordenton to South-Amboy, reported as follows :

**T**HAT it appears to your committee that said commissioner received of the treasurer of the state, the sum of forty pounds, out of the monies appropriated for that purpose ; and on examining the accounts of the commissioner, and the vouchers accompanying the same, from No. 1 to No. 9, inclusive, together with his lawful fees, amounting to forty-four pounds twelve shillings and two-pence, do find a balance due to said commissioner of four pounds twelve shillings and two-pence.

By order of the committee,

THOMAS BLANCH.

Which report was read and agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the same be referred to the committee on the incidental bill.

The engrossed bill, intitled, "An act partially to repeal an act therein named," was read and compared ;

On the question, Whether the same do pass ? It was carried in the affirmative, as follows :

Yea.

Yea.

Yea.

Messrs. Blanch,  
Bowen,

Messrs. Burrowes,  
Clement,

Messrs. Dey,  
Dunn,

Yea.	Yea.	Nays.
Messrs. Edgar,	Messrs. Moss,	Messrs. Clark,
Frelinghuysen,	Neilson,	Condict,
French,	Pearson,	Dickerson,
Gordon,	Stillwell,	Galston,
Harrison,	Stockton,	Haas,
Keasby,	VanCleve,	Howell,
Leaming,	VanDuyn,	Parkhurst,
Lippencott,	Ward,	Sharp,
Lloyd,	Wyckoff.	Speer,
Mayhew,		Voorhees,
McEowen,		Welsh.

*Ordered*, That the speaker do sign the same, and that the clerk do carry the said bill to the Council for concurrence.

A message from the Council, by Mr. Beatty, their secretary.

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have concurred in the resolution directing the secretary to deliver up the bond of James Mott, esquire, late treasurer, whenever he shall call for the same.

The speaker laid before the house a bond given by James Salter, treasurer, with Abraham Hunt, Joseph Milnor, Jonathan Rhea, Randle Rickey, James Mott and Moore Furman, sureties, for the faithful discharge of his office as treasurer.

*Resolved*, That this house approve of the said bond.

*Ordered*, That the clerk do carry the said bond and resolution to the Council for concurrence.

A petition from the executors, &c. of Thomas Mifflin, late of the state of Pennsylvania, deceased, stating that the deceased owned lands in New-Jersey, in his life-time, which, by his will, he directed should be sold; that his will was only executed in the presence of two witnesses, when, by the laws of New-Jersey for the conveyance of lands, it ought to have been executed in the presence of three witnesses, and praying that the defect may be remedied by law, was read and committed to Messrs. Stockton, Dunn and Haas.

The engrossed bill, intitled, "An act to authorize the treasurer of this state to pay to William Paterson, esquire, certain sums of money," was read and compared;

On the question, Whether the same do pass? It was carried in the affirmative, as follows:

Yea.	Yea.	Nays.
Messrs. Blanch,	Messrs. Leaming,	Messrs. Clark,
Bowen,	Lippencott,	Condict,
Burrowes,	Lloyd,	Howell,
Clement,	Mayhew,	Sharp,
Dey,	McLowen,	Speer,
Dickerson,	Moss,	VanDuyn,
Dunn,	Nielson,	Voorheese,
Edgar,	Pearson,	Parkhurst.
Erelinghuyzen,	Stillwell,	
French,	Stockton,	
Gordon,	VanCleve,	
Haas,	Ward,	
Harrison,	Wyckoff.	
Keasby,		

*Ordered*, That the speaker do sign the same, and that the clerk do carry the said bill to the Council for concurrence.

A petition from the sureties of John Hardenbergh, esquire, late sheriff of the county of Somerset, stating that they have been obliged to pay large sums to make good the losses sustained by suitors in consequence of the delinquencies of the said sheriff, and praying leave to present a bill to raise such a sum of money, by a lottery, as will indemnify them for the losses so sustained, was read and referred to the next sitting.

The house adjourned till to-morrow morning ten of the clock.

*Saturday, November 15, 1800.*

The house met.

The bill, intitled, "An act requiring the clerk's office of the county of Sussex, to be kept at Newton in the said county," with the amendments made thereto by Council, was read a second time and agreed to. The title having been amended to read as follows: "An act concerning the clerk's office in the several counties of this state,"

*Ordered*, That the said bill be re-engrossed.

The bill, intitled, "A supplement to the act, intitled, "An act relative to statutes," was read a second time, and the follow-

ing words added to the title : *Passed the thirteenth day of June, seventeen hundred and ninety-nine.*

*Ordered,* That the said bill be engrossed.

A petition from Capt. Willaim Smith, praying to be compensated for the loss of his horse in the service, on the expedition against the insurgents of Pennsylvania, in the year 1794, was read and committed to Messrs. Ward, Speer and M'Eowen.

On motion,

*Resolved,* That the inspectors of the state-prison be directed to sell and dispose of such parts of the materials on hand, purchased to complete the state-prison, as are unnecessary to retain, and to preserve from exposure to the weather such other parts as may be useful for the purpose of building an infirmary and cells, when wanted for that purpose.

*Ordered,* That the clerk do carry the said resolution to the Council for concurrence.

A memorial from Gabriel H. Ford, David Ford and Israel Canfield, praying leave to present a bill to be enacted into a law to authorize them and their associates to make a turnpike road from Elizabeth-Town through Morris-Town into the county of Sussex, was read ;

*Ordered,* That the petitioners have leave to present a bill on the second Thursday of the next sitting, to answer the prayer of their petition, they previously advertising their intention of presenting a bill, with the purport thereof, for at least three weeks previous thereto, in the newspapers printed in Morris-Town, Newark and Elizabeth-Town.

The re-engrossed bill, intitled, "An act to incorporate the Newark aqueduct company," was read and compared ;

*Resolved unanimously,* That the same do pass.

*Ordered,* That the speaker do sign the same, and that the clerk do carry the said bill to Council and inform them that the same is passed by this house with their amendments.

The re-engrossed bill, intitled "An act to authorize Jedediah Swan and Jonathan H. Osborn, administrators to the estate of William Hobrow, to carry into effect a contract made between the said William Hobrow and Simon Cortelyou," was read and compared ;

*Resolved unanimously,* That the same do pass.

*Ordered*, That the speaker do sign the same, and that the clerk do carry the said bill to the Council and acquaint them that the same is passed by this house with their amendments.

A message from the Council, by Mr. Beatty, their secretary.

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have passed the bill, intituled, "An act to empower the governor of this state to incorporate a company to cut a canal to shorten the navigation of Salem-Creek, in the county of Salem in the state of New-Jersey," with sundry amendments; which bill, with amendments, was read and ordered a second reading.

The engrossed bill, intituled, "An act for the relief of the administrators of Jeremiah Youngs, deceased," was read and compared;

On the question, Whether the same do pass? It was carried in the affirmative, as follows:

Yea.	Yeas.	Nay.	Nays.
Messrs. Blanch,	Messrs. Lippencott,	Messrs. Condict,	
Bowen,	Lloyd,		Moss.
Burrowes,	Mayhew,		
Clark,	M' Eowen,		
Clement,	Neilson,		
Dey,	Parkhurst,		
Dickerfon,	Pearson,		
Edgar,	Sharp,		
Frelinghuysen,	Stockton,		
French,	Speer,		
Gaston,	VanCleve,		
Haas,	VanDuyne,		
Harrison,	Voorheese,		
Howell,	Ward,		
Keasby,	Welsh,		
Leaming,	Wyckoff.		

*Ordered*, That the speaker do sign the same, and that the clerk do carry the said bill to the Council for concurrence.

The warrants formerly issued to Lydia Westbrook and Lydia Wood, for the amount of their late husbands' half-pay, were laid before the house for renewal, the same having been filled with indorsements.

*Ordered*, That the said warrants be renewed.

On motion,

*Ordered*, That Messrs. Neilson, Frelinghuysen and Condict, be a committee to take into consideration the fifty-ninth section of an act respecting the court of chancery, passed the 13th June, 1799.

A petition from sundry inhabitants of Woodbridge, in Middlesex county, praying an alteration to the road act, was read and committed to Messrs Wyckoff, Clement and Mayhew, to report thereon.

The report of Mr. Dey, from the committee who were appointed to take into consideration the propriety of raising a tax for the next year, was read a second time and agreed to.

The house adjourned to three o'clock, P. M.

The house met.

The bill, intitled, "An act to empower the governor of this state to incorporate a company to cut a canal to shorten the navigation of Salem-Creek, in the county of Salem and state of New-Jersey," with the amendments made thereto by the Council, was read a second time, the amendments agreed to, and the bill ordered to be re-engrossed.

The house adjourned till Monday morning ten of the clock.

*Monday, November 17, 1800.*

The house met.

The re-engrossed bill, intitled, "An act to empower the governor of this state to incorporate a company to cut a canal to shorten the navigation of Salem-Creek, in the county of Salem and state of New-Jersey," was read and compared;

*Resolved unanimously*, That the same do pass.

The re-engrossed bill, intitled, "An act concerning the clerks' offices in the several counties of this state," was read and compared;

On the question, Whether the same do pass? It was carried in the affirmative, as follows:

Yeaſ.	Yeaſ.	Nayſ.
Meffrs. Blanch,	Meffrs. Leaming,	Meffrs. Clark,
Bowen,	Lippencott,	M'Eowen,
Burrowes,	Moss,	VanDuyne.
Clement,	Nielſon,	
Condiſt,	Patkurst,	
Dey,	Pearſon,	
Dickerson,	Sharp,	
Dunn,	Stillwell,	
Edgar,	Stockton,	
French,	Speer,	
Gaston,	VanCleve,	
Harrison,	Voorhees,	
Howell,	Ward,	
Keasby,	Welſh.	

*Ordered*, That the speaker do sign the ſaid bills, and that the clerk do carry the ſaid bills to Council and acquaint them that the ſaid bills are paſſed by this house with the amendments made thereto by Council.

The warrants entitling Lydia Wood and Lydia Westbrook to receive the amount of their late husbands' half-pay, were read, approved of, and ordered to be ſigned.

*Ordered*, That the clerk do carry the ſaid warrants to the Council for allowance.

Mr. Ward, from the committee to whom was referred the petition of William Smith, reported as follows :

**T**HAT they have examined the petition and papers to them referred, and the law on which ſuch claims are founded, and are of opinion the prayer of the petitioner ought not to be granted.

By order of the committee,

PETER WARD.

Which report was read and agreed to.

The bill, intituled, "An act to prevent the act, intituled, 'An act for the relief of inſolvent debtors being extended for the relief of Isaac Rogers, now confined in the gaol of the county of Monmouth,'" was read a ſecond time, debated and ordered to be engrossed.

The bill, intituled, "An act for altering and establishing the times of holding the courts, in and for the county of Middle-

sex," was read a second time, debated and ordered to be engrossed.

The house adjourned to three o'clock, P. M.

The house met.

A message from the Council, by Mr. Beatty, their secretary.

Mr. Speaker,

The Council approve of the warrants in favor of Lydia Wood and Lydia West brook, authorizing them to draw the amount of their late husbands' half-pay.

Mr. Beatty informed the house that Council have passed the bill, intitled, " An act to authorize the treasurer of this state to pay to William Paterson, esquire, certain sums of money;" and the bill, intitled, " An act partially to repeal part of an act therein mentioned," without amendment.

The bill, intitled, " An act to alter and amend the charter of the city of New-Brunswick," was read a second time ;

A motion was made by Mr. VanDuyn, and seconded by Mr. Speer, to amend the 7th section, by striking out the words in the said section, authorizing the common-council to have the sole, only, and exclusive power, of licensing all and every inn-keeper, or tavern-keeper, residing within the bounds of said corporation ;

On the question, Whether the house agree to the said amendments ? It was carried in the negative.

On which the yeas and nays were required by Mr. Van-Duyn, seconded by Mr. Speer.

Yea.	Nay.	Nay.
Messrs. Clark,	Messrs. Blanch,	Messrs. Haas,
Condict,	Bowen,	Harrison,
Dickerson,	Burrowes,	Howell,
M'Eowen,	Clement,	Kealby,
Sharp,	Dey,	Leaming,
Speer,	Dunn,	Lippencott,
VanDuyn,	Edgar,	Lloyd,
Voorheese.	Frelinghuysen,	Mayhew,
	French,	Mofs,
	Gaston,	Neilson,
	Gordon,	Pearson,

Nays.  
Messrs. Stillwell,  
Stockton,  
VanCleve,

Nays.  
Messrs. Ward,  
Welsh,  
Wyckoff.

The house having gone through the said bill,

*Ordered*, That the same be engrossed.

The house adjourned till to-morrow morning ten of the clock.

*Tuesday, November 18, 1800.*

The house met.

Mr. Haas, from the committee appointed for that purpose, presented a bill, intitled, "An a&t for defraying fundry incidental charges ;" which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

Mr. Moss, from the committee to whom was referred the petition of Samuel Norris, reported,

**T**HAT it is the opinion of your committee, that the prayer of the petitioner ought to be granted.

By order of the committee,

ISAAC MOSS.

Which report was read and ordered a second reading.

Mr. Wyckoff, from the committee to whom was referred the petition from a number of inhabitants of the county of Middlesex, reported as follows :

**T**HAT, in the opinion of your committee, a just and reasonable compensation should be made to every person through whose lands a public road may hereafter be laid, and that a law should be drafted for that purpose.

By order of the committee,

SIMON WYCKOFF.

Which report was read and ordered a second reading.

Mr. Frelinghuysen, from the committee to whom was referred the resolution of the state of Delaware, respecting a proposed amendment to the constitution of the United States, by excluding foreigners from their councils, reported as follows :

**T**HAT, from viewing the courses which this business has taken in the Legislatures of the several states, in deciding on a similar resolution of the state of Massachusetts, and consid-

ering the present state of the union, they are of opinion that it is not expedient for this Legislature now to act upon the subject.

By order of the committee,

FREDERICK FRELINGHUYSEN.

Which report was read and agreed to.

The engrossed bill, intitled, "A supplement to the act, intitled, "An act relative to statutes, passed the thirteenth day of June, seventeen hundred and ninety-nine," was read and compared;

On the question, Whether the same do pass? It was carried in the affirmative, as follows:

Yea.	Yea.	Nays.
Messrs. Blanch,	Messrs. Lippencott,	Messrs. Clark,
Bowen,	Lloyd,	Condict,
Burrowes,	Mayhew,	Dickerson,
Clement,	McEowen,	Gaston,
Dey,	Moss,	Howell,
Dunn,	Neilson,	Parkhurst,
Edgar,	Pearson,	Speer,
FrelinghuySEN,	Sharp,	Voorheese,
French,	Stillwell,	Welsh.
Gordon,	Stockton,	
Haas,	VanCleve,	
Harrison,	VanDuyn,	
Keasby,	Wyckoff.	
Leaming,		

Ordered, That the speaker do sign the said bill, and that the clerk do carry the said bill to the Council for concurrence.

Mr. Harrison, with leave, presented a bill, intitled, "A supplement to an act, intitled, "An act respecting suits for the recovery of monies due to the state;" which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

The bill, intitled, "An act for defraying sundry incidental charges," was read a second time and ordered to be engrossed.

A message from the Council, by Mr. Beatty, their secretary.

Mr. Speaker,

The resolution directing certain parts of the materials on hand, for compleating the state-prison, to be disposed of, and other parts to be preserved, is concurred in by Council.

The Council have passed the bill, intitled, "An act for

the relief of the administrators of Jeremiah Youngs, deceased," without amendment.

The house adjourned to three o'clock, P. M.

The house met.

The bill, intitled, "An act to incorporate into a township, a part of the townships of Fairfield and Maurice-River, in the county of Cumberland," was read a second time;

*Ordered*, That the said bill be referred to the next sitting, and that the same be read a second time on the second Thursday of the next sitting.

The petitioners, in favor of the said bill, causing the purport thereof to be advertised in three of the most public places in the townships of Fairfield and Maurice-River, for at least three weeks previous thereto.

A certificate of half-pay, in favor of William Finley, was read and referred to the next sitting.

A petition from the board of chosen freeholders of the county of Sussex, was read and committed to Messrs. VanCleve, Voorhees and Blanch.

On motion,

*Resolved*, That this house will adjourn on Thursday next, to meet again on the first Wednesday of February next.

Mr. VanCleve, with leave, presented a bill, intitled, "An act for the relief of persons confined for debt;" which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

The engrossed bill, intitled, "An act to alter and amend the charter of the city of New-Brunswick," was read and compared;

On the question, Whether the same do pass? It was carried in the affirmative, as follows:

Yea.	Yea.	Yea.
Messrs. Blanch,	Messrs. Dunn,	Messrs. Haas,
Bowen,	Edgar,	Harrison,
Burrowes,	Frelinghuyzen,	Howell,
Clement,	French,	Keasby,
Dey,	Gordon,	Leaming,

Yeaſ.	Nayſ.
Meffrs. Lippencott,	Meffrs. Clark,
Lloyd,	Condict,
Mayhew,	Dickerson,
Mofs,	Gaston,
Neilſon,	McEowen,
Pearſon,	Parkhurst,
Stillwell,	Sharp,
Stockton,	Speer,
VanCleve,	VanDuyn,
Ward,	Voorhees.
Wyckoff.	

*Ordered*, That the speaker do sign the said bill, and that the clerk do carry the said bill to the Council for concurrence.

The house adjourned till to-morrow morning ten of the clock.

*Wednesday, November 19, 1800.*

The house met.

The engrossed bill, intituled, "An act for altering and establishing the times of holding the courts, in and for the county of Middlesex," was read and compared;

*Resolved unanimously*, That the same do pass.

*Ordered*, That the speaker do sign the same, and that the clerk do carry the said bill to Council for concurrence.

The engrossed bill, intituled, "An act to prevent the act, intituled, "An act for the relief of insolvent debtors, being extended for the relief of Isaac Rogers, now confined in the gaol of the county of Monmouth," was read and compared;

On the question, Whether the same do pass? It was carried in the negative, as follows:

Yeaſ.	Yeaſ.	Nayſ.
Meffrs. Bowen,	Meffrs. Ward,	Meffrs. Blanch,
Dey,	Welſh,	Burrowes,
McEowen,	Wyckoff.	Clark,
Speer,		Clement,
VanDuyn,		Condict,

Nays.	Nays.	Nays.
Messrs. Dickerson,	Messrs. Harrison,	Messrs. Parkhurst,
Duan,	Howell,	Pearson,
Edgar,	Keasby,	Sharp,
Frelighuyzen,	Leaming,	Stockton,
French,	Lippencott,	VanCleve,
Gaston,	Moss,	Voorhees.
Haas,	Neilson,	

The bill, intitled, "An act respecting a certain caufeway, in the county of Bergen," was read a second time and ordered a third reading.

Mr. Stockton, from the committee to whom was referred the petition from the executors of Thomas Mifflin, of Pennsylvania, deceased; reported as follows:

**T**HAT it is the opinion of your committee, that the petition and request of the executors, in regard to selling the real estate of the testator, lying in New-Jersey, needs not the interference of the Legislature to enable them to sell and dispose of the same, for the purpose of paying the debts.

By order of the committee,  
WILLIAM STOCKTON.

Which report was read and referred to the next sitting.

The house adjourned to three o'clock P. M.

The house met.

Mr. VanCleve, from the committee to whom was referred the petition of John Broderick, director of the board of freeholders of the county of Sussex, reported as follows:

**T**HAT having examined the said petition and accounts thereunto annexed, they are of opinion, that the said board ought to settle their accounts with the treasurer of the state, according to the laws already made, and that any legislative interference would be improper—But having handed the said petition to the late treasurer, and he thinking himself implicated, gave us a statement, which we beg leave to lay before the house.

By order of the committee,  
BENJAMIN VANCLEVE.

Which report was read and referred to the next sitting.

The engrossed bill, intitled, "An act for defraying sundry incidental charges," was read and compared;

On the question, Whether the same do pass? It was carried in the affirmative, as follows:

Yea.	Yea.	Nay.
Messrs. Blanch,	Messrs. Leaming,	Messrs. Condict,
Bowen,	Lippencott,	Dickerson,
Burrowes,	Lloyd,	Parkhurst.
Clark,	McEowen,	Noothoose.
Clement,	Moss,	
Dey,	Nielson,	
Dunn,	Pearson,	
Edgar,	Stockton,	
Frelinghuyzen,	Speer,	
French,	VanCleve,	
Gaston,	VanDyke,	
Haas,	Ward,	
Harrison,	Welsh,	
Howell,	Wyckoff.	
Keasby,		

Ordered, That the speaker do sign the same, and that the clerk do carry the said bill to the Council for concurrence:

Mr. Welsh, from the committee to whom was referred the petition of William Clark, reported as follows:

THAT having examined the petition and vouchers accompanying the same, and also the law on which such claims are founded, the committee are of opinion, that the petitioner's case does not come within the meaning of the law, because the adjudication of the court does not specify to what part of a pension the petitioner is entitled.

By order of the committee,  
DAVID WELSH.

Which report was read and agreed to.

The bill, intitled, "An act respecting a certain causeway in the county of Bergen," was read a third time;

On the question, Whether the same do pass? The votes were as follow:

Yea.	Yea.	Yea.
Messrs. Blanch,	Messrs. French,	Messrs. Harrison,
Burrowes,	Gaston,	Howell,
Dey,	Haas,	Leaming,

Yea.	Nays.	Nays.
Messrs. Lippencott,	Messrs. Bowen,	Messrs. Keasby,
Lloyd,	Clement,	McEowen,
Nielson,	Clark,	Moss,
Pearson,	Condict,	Parkhurst,
Stockton,	Dickerson,	Speer,
VanCleve,	Dunn,	VanDuyn,
Ward,	Edgar,	Voorheese,
Wyckoff.	Frelinghuysen,	Welsh.

There not being twenty members in favor of the said bill, the same was lost.

*Ordered*, That the clerk do wait on the Council and acquaint them that the said bill was disagreed to by this house.

The house adjourned till to-morrow morning nine of the clock.

*Thursday, November 20, 1800.*

*123-15-678*  
The house met.

A message from the Council, by Mr. Beatty, their secretary.

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have passed the bill, intitled, "A supplement to the act, intitled, "An act relative to statutes, passed the thirteenth of June, seventeen hundred and ninety-nine," and the bill, intitled, "An act for defraying sundry incidental charges," without amendment.

The speaker laid before the house a statement from his excellency the governor, informing what progress he had made in procuring cannon for the use of the state, which was read; whereupon,

*Resolved*, That the governor of the state be requested, in procuring artillery for the use of the state, to cause two pieces, one of six and one of three pound, for each brigade, to be provided, and that he cause them to be delivered to each brigadier general, for the use of his brigade.

*Ordered*, That the clerk do carry the said resolution to the Council for concurrence.

The speaker laid before the house a message from his excellency the governor, stating the want of provision, in certain cases, for the payment of officers, for attending courts-martial, which was read and ordered a second reading.

The house adjourned till the first Wednesday in February next.

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At a Session begun at Trenton, on the twenty-eighth Day of October, One Thousand Eight Hundred, and continued by Adjournments.

BEING THE SECOND SITTING.

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*Bergen,*  
*Essex,*  
*Middlesex,*  
*Monmouth,*  
*Somerset,*  
*Burlington,*  
*Gloucester,*  
*Salem,*  
*Cape-May,*  
*Hunterdon,*  
*Morris,*  
*Cumberland,*  
*Sussex,*

The Honorable

John Outwater,  
 Daniel Marsh,  
 Ephraim Martin,  
 John Lloyd,  
 Peter D. Vroom,  
 George Anderson, *v. p.*  
 Thomas Clark,  
 William Wallace,  
 Parmenus Corson,  
 John Lambert,  
 Abraham Kitchel,  
 Samuel Ogden,  
 William McCullough,

Esquires.

*List of Persons returned as Members of the General Assembly.*

**BERGEN.**

Peter Ward, Thomas Blanch, and John Dey, esquires.

**ESSEX.**

Abraham Speer, Charles Clark, and Jabez Parkhurst, esquires.

**MIDDLESEX.**

Gershom Dunn, William Edgar, and John Neilson, esquires.

**MONMOUTH.**

Joseph Stillwell, William Lloyd, and David Gordon, esquires.

**SOMERSET.**

James VanDuyn, William M'Eowen, and Frederick Frelinghuysen, esquires.

**BURLINGTON.**

William Coxe, jun. *Speaker*, William Stockton, Job Lippencott, and William Pearson, esquires.

**GLoucester.**

Samuel Harrison, Abel Clement, and Samuel French, esquires.

**SALEM.**

Isaac Moss, Eleazer Mayhew, and Anthony Keasbey, esquires.

**CAPE-MAY.**

Persons Leaming, esquire.

**HUNTERDON.**

Stephen Burrowes, John Haas, Simon Wyckoff, and Benjamin VanCleve, esquires.

**MORRIS.**

Cornelius Voorhies, Silas Condiët, and David Welsh, esquires.

**CUMBERLAND.**

Jonathan Bowen, and Richard Wood, jun. esquires.

**SUSSEX.**

Levi Howell, Silas Dickerson, Joseph Gaston, and Joseph Sharp, esquires.

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*Trenton, February 4, 1801.*

PURSUANT to adjournment from the last sitting, the following members met, to wit :

Messrs. Blanch, Bowen, Burrowes, Clark, Condict, Dey, Edgar, French, Gaston, Haas, Howell, Keasbey, Lippencott, Lloyd, Mayhew, M'Eowen, Moss, Neilson, Parkhurst, Pearson, Stockton, Speer, VanCleve, VanDuyn, Voorhies, Welsh, Wood.

*Ordered,* That the clerk do wait on the Council and acquaint them that a quorum of the Assembly have this day met and proceeded to business.

*Ordered,* That Messrs. VanCleve, VanDuyn and Voorhies, be a committee to inspect the minutes of the last sitting, and report such business as stands referred, or remains unfinished.

A message from Council, by Mr. Beatty, their secretary.

Mr. Speaker,

A sufficient number of members of the Council have this day met, and proceeded to business.

The house adjourned till to-morrow morning ten of the clock.

*Thursday, February 5, 1801.*

The house met.

Mr. VanCleve, from the committee appointed to examine the minutes of the last fitting, and bring forward a list of the unfinished business, reported as follows:

No. 1. The report of Mr. Condict, on the application of Andrew Craig—ordered a second reading.

2. The report of Mr. Wyckoff, on the petition from Woodbridge, respecting the road law—ordered a second reading.

3. The report of Mr. Moss, on the petition of Samuel Norris—ordered a second reading.

4. The report of Mr. Stockton, on the petition from the executors, &c. of Thomas Mifflin, deceased—referred to this fitting.

5. The report of Mr. Pearson respecting the deficiencies of taxes, was ordered a second reading.

6. The report of Mr. VanCleve on the petition from the board of freeholders of Sussex county—referred to this fitting.

7. The bill, intitled, “An act to incorporate into a township a part of the Townships of Fairfield and Maurice-River, in the county of Cumberland”—ordered a second reading on the second Thursday of this fitting.

8. The bill, intitled, “A supplement to an act, intitled, ‘An act respecting suits for the recovery of monies due to the state,’” was ordered a second reading.

9. The bill, intitled, “An act for the further relief of persons confined for debt,” was ordered a second reading.

10. The petition from the sureties of John Hardenburgh, late sheriff of Somerset, praying the benefit of a lottery for the purposes therein expressed, was referred to this fitting.

11. The certificates for half-pay in favor of William Finley, was referred to this sitting.

12. The bill, intitled, "A supplement to an act to ascertain the times and places of holding the court of appeals," was ordered a second reading.

13. The message from the governor on the subject of courts marshal.

By order of the committee,  
BENJAMIN VANCLEVE.

The paper in the above report marked No. 1, was read ; whereupon,

A petition, plea, protest and memorial of Mary Ann Carty and Sarah Ackerman, late Sarah Carty, was presented and read, desiring to be heard by counsel in opposition to the application of Andrew Craig, &c.

*Ordered*, That the parties be heard, by their counsel, in favor of and in opposition to the prayer of the petition of Andrew Craig on Wednesday next.

The paper marked No. 2, was read ; whereupon,

A petition from the county of Gloucester was read, praying that a law may pass, that a just and reasonable compensation should be made to every person through whose lands a public road may hereafter be laid.

*Ordered*, That the said paper and petition be committed to Messrs. Wyckoff, Clement and Mayhew, to report thereon, by bill or otherwise.

The paper marked No. 3, was read and the further consideration thereof postponed.

The report of Mr. Stockton, marked No. 4, was read and agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the consideration of the report of unfinished business be postponed.

Messrs. Clement, Frelinghuysen, Gordon, Sharp, Stillwell and Wyckoff, severally attended this morning and took their seats.

The house adjourned to three o'clock P. M.

The house met.

Mr. Dickerson and Mr. Dunn attended and took their seats.

The house resumed the consideration of the report of the unfinished business.

The paper marked No. 5, was read and postponed.

The papers marked No. 6, were read, and, on motion of Mr. Dickerson, he had leave, in behalf of the petitioners, to withdraw the petition and papers.

The paper marked No. 8, was read and postponed.

The bill marked No. 9, was read; whereupon,

A petition from Thomas Atkinson, and a petition from Lyburn Warren were read, praying that the act for the relief of insolvent debtors may, by law, be extended unto them; they being now confined in gaol for debt.

*Ordered*, That the said bill and petitions be committed to Messrs. Condict, Stockton and French.

The papers marked No. 10, No. 11, and No. 12, were read and postponed.

The message from the governor, marked No. 13, was read and committed to Messrs. Pearson, Dunn and Parkhurst.

A memorial from Rachel Brown and Robert Craig, administrators, &c. of Daniel Brown, late of the county of Sussex, deceased, was read, praying that they may have leave to present a bill to enable them to convey lands sold by the intestate in his life-time, with the several articles of agreement accompanying the same.

*Ordered*, That the said memorial and papers be committed to Messrs. Neilson, Dey and Howell, to report thereon, by bill or otherwise.

A petition from the upper end of the county of Hunterdon, praying an amendment to the laws respecting the taking of fish in the Delaware, above the falls at Trenton, was read and committed to Messrs. Lippencott, Dickerson and Haas.

Mr. Clement, with leave, presented a bill, intitled, "An act to authorize and empower Morris Robeson and George Ashbridge, with others concerned with them, their heirs and

assigns to build and maintain a dam or dams across Great-Egg-Harbour-River, above the mouth of Great-Run, and below the saw mill, on the Hospitality-Branch, for accommodating water works in the county of Gloucester, with several petitions praying that the same may be enacted into a law, which were read and the bill ordered a second reading.

The house adjourned till to-morrow morning ten of the clock.

*Friday, February 6, 1801.*

The house met.

A memorial from Joseph Bloomfield, esquire, praying payment for a horse by him lost in the service of the United States, on the western expedition, was read and committed to Messrs. Burrowes, Edgar and Gaston.

A petition from the county of Bergen, praying that some more effectual mode may be prescribed by law for the punishment of slaves who may be guilty of burglary, arson, robbery and larceny, was read and committed to Messrs. Frelinghuysen, Blanch and Wood.

A petition from the legatees of Samuel Breese, late of the county of Monmouth, deceased, praying leave to present a bill to authorize Elizabeth Breese and Samuel Sidney Breese, to dispose of the real estate of the deceased, for the benefit of all concerned, was read and committed to Messrs. Bowen, Keasbey and Lloyd.

The bill, intitled, "A supplement to an act to ascertain the times and places of holding the court of appeals, was read a second time and committed to Messrs. Dickerson, Pearson and Dunn.

The bill, intitled, "An act to authorize and empower Morris Robeson and George Ashbridge, with others, to erect water works in the county of Gloucester, was read a second time and ordered to be engrossed.

A message from the Council, by Mr. Beatty, their secretary.  
Mr. Speaker,

I am directed to lay before the Assembly the bill, intitled,

" An act to alter and establish the times of holding the courts in and for the county of Middlesex, with the amendments made thereto by Council," and to request the concurrence of this house to those amendments.

Which bill, as amended, was read and ordered a second reading.

The house adjourned to three o'clock P. M.

The house met.

Mr. Lippencott, from the committee to whom was referred the petition of sundry persons respecting the fishing in Delaware, above the falls, having examined the petition and laws respecting the same, are of opinion that the law passed June the thirteenth, one thousand seven hundred and ninety-nine, to regulate fisheries in the river Delaware, and the second section of the act for suppressing vice and immorality, are sufficient to answer the purposes prayed for by the petitioners.

By order of the committee,

JOB LIPPENCOTT.

Which report was read and agreed to.

Mr. Bowen, from the committee to whom was referred the petition of Elizabeth Breese, Samuel S. Breese, Jedediah Morse, Elizabeth Ann Morse, Samuel F. Snowden, Susan Bayard Snowden, Arthur Breese and Abigail Breese, reported, that the prayer of the petitioners ought not to be granted.

By order of the committee,

JONATHAN BOWEN.

Which report was read and agreed to.

The engrossed bill, intitled, " An act to authorize and empower Morris Robeson and George Ashbridge, with others concerned with them, their heirs and assigns, to build and maintain a dam or dams across Great-Egg-Harbour-River, above the mouth of Great-Run, and below the saw mill on the Hospitality-Branch, for accommodating water works in the county of Gloucester," was read and compared;

On the question, Whether the same do pass ? It was carried in the affirmative, as follows:

Yea.	Yea.	Nay.
Messrs. Blanch,	Messrs. Lippencott,	Messrs. Bowen,
Burrowes,	Lloyd,	Dunn,
Clark,	Mayhew,	Speer.
Clement,	McEowen,	
Condict,	Moss,	
Dey,	Neilson,	
Dickerson,	Parkhurst,	
Edgar,	Sharp,	
Frelinghuysen,	Stillwell,	
French,	Stockton,	
Gaston,	VanCleve,	
Gordon,	VanDuyn,	
Haas,	Welsh,	
Howell,	Wood,	
Keasbey,	Wyckoff.	

Ordered, That the speaker do sign the said bill, and that the clerk do carry the same to the Council for concurrence.

Mr. Pearson, from the committee to whom was referred the message of the governor, of November 20, 1800, reported as follows :

That they are unanimously of opinion compensation ought to be allowed by law to officers and witnesses attending courts martial, and that a committee be appointed to bring in a bill accordingly.

By order of the committee,  
WILLIAM PEARSON.

Which report was read and committed to the same committee to bring in a bill in conformity with the said report.

Mr. Harrison attended and took his seat.

The house resumed the consideration of the bill, intitled, "A supplement to an act, intitled, "An act respecting suits for the recovery of monies due to the state," and after some time spent thereon,

Ordered, That the said bill be committed to Messrs. Ward, Lloyd and Pearson.

Mr. Frelinghuysen from the committee to whom was referred the petition from the county of Bergen, respecting the

punishment of slaves for certain high crimes and misdemeanors, and of negroes who shall runaway from their masters, reported as follows :

That the laws of this state have designated the punishment for the crimes of burglary, arson, robbery and larceny, and that no additional law is necessary on the subject ; they further reported, that the laws of New-Jersey amply provide for the recovery of negroes who shall runaway from their masters, and that no new regulations are necessary on the subject.

By order of the committee,

FREDERICK FRELINGHUYSEN.

Which report was read and agreed to.

The bill, intitled, " An act for altering and establishing the times of holding the courts in and for the county of Middlesex," with the amendments made thereto by the Council, was read a second time, the amendments agreed to, and the bill ordered to be re-engrossed.

On motion,

*Resolved*, That a committee of seven be appointed to report by bill or otherwise, whether any and what alterations will be necessary in the laws of this state respecting the times of holding the courts of law in the several counties.

*Ordered*, That Messrs. Frelinghuyzen, Condict, Stillwell, Lippencott, Harrison, Neilson and Sharp, be the committee.

The house adjourned till to-morrow morning ten of the clock.

Saturday, February 7, 1801.

The house met.

Mr. Neilson, from the committee to whom was referred the memorial of Rachel Brown and Robett Craig of Knolton, Sussex county, reported,

That they find a number of written contracts, executed by Daniel Erown, for lands sold by him to different persons, which have not been fully completed ; that on some of the said written contracts are endorsed receipts for considerable sums of money paid by the persons with whom he had con-

tracted; that, in the opinion of the committee, the administrators of the said Daniel Brown, deceased, ought to receive legislative aid, to empower them to make good and sufficient deeds to the purchasers, provided there are no legal objections existing. The committee, therefore, further report, that the memorialists having, as they state, taken upon them the administration of the estate of the said Daniel Brown, deceased, should have leave to present a bill for the purpose aforesaid, at the next session of the Legislature, previously advertising the purport thereof in one of the papers printed in Newark, and in the Trenton New-Jersey State Gazette, four weeks successively.

By order of the committee,

JOHN NEILSON.

Which report was read and agreed to.

A petition from Moses Roff, praying that he may be paid the amount of a reward offered by proclamation for the apprehending of John Armstrong, late of the county of Somerset, was read and committed to Messrs. M'Lowen, Speer and Moss.

A number of petitions from the counties of Sussex, Hunterdon and Morris, were read, praying that a new county may be established from parts of the said several counties.

*Ordered*, That the said petitions be committed to Messrs. Harrison, Edgar and VanDyck.

Two petitions from Gloucester county, praying that vessels employed in the conveyance of wood or other lumber may not be liable to be taxed by this state, they being obliged to pay to the United States, and that watermen who work such vessels may be exempted from tax and military duty, they also being liable to pay to the United States, out of their monthly wages, twenty cents per month, were read and committed to Messrs. Clement, Gordon and Welsh, to report thereon by bill or otherwise.

Mr. Neilson, with leave, presented a bill, intitled, "A further act to regulate fees;" which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

A petition from Hannah Miller, praying, for reasons therein contained, that she may be divorced from her husband, Melvyn Miller, was read and committed to Messrs. Frelinghuysen, Clark and Dey.

The house adjourned till Monday morning ten of the clock.

*Monday, February 9, 1801.*

The house met.

Mr. Ward, from the committee to whom was referred the bill, intitled, "A supplement to an act, intitled, "An act respecting suits for the recovery of monies due to the state," reported the same with sundry amendments; which bill, as amended, was read and the further consideration thereof postponed.

Mr. Condict, from the committee to whom was referred the bill, intitled, "An act for the further relief of persons confined for debt," reported the same with sundry amendments and the following title, to wit: "An act for the relief of insolvent debtors;" which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

A petition from the town committees of Evesham and Chester, praying that a law may pass to straighten the line between the said townships, was read and ordered a second reading.

Mr. M'Eowen, from the committee to whom was referred the petition of Moses Roff, reported,

That upon examination, it appears that a Reward of one hundred and fifty dollars was offered by the governor of this state for apprehending one John Armstrong; that the said Moses Roff apprehended the said John Armstrong, and delivered him to the keeper of the common goal of Somerset county, on the 13th of January last, and that the advertisement revoking the said proclamation was first published on the twenty-seventh of the same month—Your committee are therefore of opinion that the said Moses Roff is entitled to the said reward, and that he have leave to present a bill to answer the prayer of his petition.

By order of the committee,

WILLIAM M'EOWEN.

Which report was read and agreed to; whereupon,

Mr. Frelinghuysen presented a bill, intitled, "An act authorizing the treasurer to pay to Moses Roff, a certain sum of money;" which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

The re-engrossed bill, intitled, "An act for altering and establishing the times of holding the courts in and for the county of Middlesex," was read and compared;

On the question, Whether the same do pass? It was carried in the affirmative, as follows:

Yea.	Yeas.	Nays.
Messrs. Blanch,	Messrs. Lloyd,	Messrs. Bowen,
Burrowes,	Mayhew,	Mofs.
Clark,	McEowen,	
Clement,	Neilson,	
Condict,	Parkhurst,	
Dey,	Pearson,	
Dickerson,	Sharp,	
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French,	VanDuyne,	
Gaston,	Voorheese,	
Gordon,	Welsh,	
Haas,	Wood,	
Howell,	Wyckoff.	
Keasby,		

Ordered, That the speaker do sign the same, and that the clerk do carry the said bill to the Council, and acquaint them that the same is passed by this house with their amendments.

The house adjourned to three o'clock P. M.

The house met.

A representation from the inspectors of the state-prison respecting the board partition in the prison-yard, and desiring the Legislature would consider whether the increasing number of prisoners may not render the cells, which have been proposed to be built, necessary, was read.

Ordered, That the said representation be committed to Messrs. Stillwell, Bowen and Mayhew.

Mr. Dickerson, from the committee to whom was referred the bill, intitled, "A supplement to an act to ascertain the times and places of holding the courts of appeals," reported

in lieu thereof, a bill under the following title : " An act altering the time of holding the circuit courts and courts of common pleas and general quarter sessions in and for the county of Burlington ;" which bill was read, as amended, and ordered a second reading.

The petition from the town committees of Evesham and Chester, in the county of Burlington, praying leave to present a bill to straighten the line between the said townships, was read a second time.

*Ordered*, That the petitioners have leave to present a bill to answer the prayer of their petition ; whereupon,

Mr. Stockton presented a bill, intituled, " An act to alter the line and bounds between the townships of Evesham and Chester, in the county of Burlington ;" which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

Mr. Frelinghuysen, from the committee to whom was referred the petition of Hannah Miller, presented a bill, intituled, " An act to divorce Hannah Miller from her husband, Melyne Miller ;" which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

A petition from James Abrahams and William Wikoff, of the county of Middlesex, praying leave to present a bill on the second Wednesday of the next sitting of the Legislature, to improve the navigation of the river Machiponix, and to secure to them the exclusive right thereof, was read.

*Ordered*, That the said James Abrahams and William Wikoff have leave to present a bill to answer the prayer of their petition, they advertising the purport thereof, and a copy of this order, in three of the most public places in the neighborhood, and in the newspaper published in New-Brunswick, at least three weeks previous thereto.

Mr. Harrison, from the committee to whom was referred the petition of a number of the inhabitants of the counties of Sussex, Morris and Hunterdon, praying that an act may be passed for laying off a new county, reported,

That, in their opinion, the laying off a new county would add much to the interest and convenience of the petitioners, and that they ought to have leave to present a bill for that purpose on the first Monday of the next session of the

Legislature, they advertising the same at the respective court-houses in the aforesaid counties, and in the public papers printed in the city of Trenton and Morris-Town, at least two months previous thereto.

By order of the committee,  
SAMUEL W. HARRISON.

Which report was read and agreed to.

A message from the Council, by Mr. Beatty, their secretary.

Mr. Speaker,

The bill, intitled, "An act to authorize and empower Morris Robeson and George Ashbridge, with others concerned with them, their heirs and assigns, to build and maintain a dam or dams across Great-Egg-Harbour-River, above the mouth of Great-Run, and below the saw mill, on the Hospitality-Branch, for accommodating water works in the county of Gloucester," is passed by Council without amendment.

The papers marked No. 11, in the report of unfinished business, containing certificates of half-pay in favor of William Findley, late a soldier of the militia of this state, and who was wounded at Handcock's bridge, in the service of the United States, during the revolutionary war, was read and committed to Messrs. Keasby, Parkhurst and M'Eowen.

The bill, intitled, "An act to authorize the treasurer to pay to Moses Roff a certain sum of money," was read a second time and ordered to be engrossed.

A petition from the county of Salem, and a petition from the county of Burlington, praying that vessels employed in the conveyance of wood and other lumber may not be liable to be taxed by this state, they being obliged to pay to the United States, and that watermen who work such vessels may be exempted from tax and military duty, they also being liable to pay to the United States, out of their monthly pay, twenty cents per month, were read and committed to Messrs. Clement, Gordon and Welsh, to report thereon, by bill or otherwise.

The house adjourned till to-morrow morning ten of the clock.

*Tuesday, February 10, 1801.*

The house met.

Mr. Keasby, from the committee to whom was referred

the adjudication of the court of quarter sessions for the county of Gloucester, respecting the half-pay of William Findley, a soldier in the last war, reported,

That the half-pay allowed by law unto the said William Findley, ought to be granted from the first day of October, 1800, being the date of the adjudication of said court, and that a warrant issue for that purpose.

By order of the committee,  
ANTHONY KEASBEY.

Which report was read and agreed to; whereupon,

*Ordered*, That a warrant do issue accordingly.

A warrant was read, approved and ordered to be signed.

*Ordered*, That the clerk do carry the said warrant to Council for concurrence.

Mr. Burrowes, from the committee to whom was referred the petition of Joseph Bloomfield, reported,

That they have examined the petition and laws on the subject, and find no existing law or precedent to justify them in reporting favorably to the prayer of the petitioner; therefore, your committee are of opinion that the prayer of the petitioner ought not to be granted.

By order of the committee,  
STEPHEN BURROWES.

Which report was read and ordered a second reading.

The bill, intitled, "An act for the relief of insolvent debtors," was read a second time and ordered to be engrossed.

*Ordered*, That the hearing on the petition of Andrew Craig be postponed until Monday next.

The bill, intitled, "An act altering the time of holding the circuit courts and courts of common pleas and general quarter sessions, in and for the county of Burlington," was read a second time and ordered to be engrossed.

The bill, intitled, "An act to divorce Hannah Miller from her husband Melyne Miller," was read a second time and ordered to be engrossed.

The house adjourned to three o'clock P. M.

## The house met.

The engrossed bill, intitled, "An act to authorize the treasurer to pay to Moses Roff a certain sum of money," was read and compared;

On the question, Whether the same do pass? It was carried in the affirmative, as follows:

Yea.	Yeas.	Nays.
Messrs. Blanch,	Messrs. Mayhew,	Messrs. Clement,
Bowen,	M'Lowen,	Dickerson,
Burrowes,	Moss,	Harrison,
Clark,	Neilson,	Lippencott,
Condict,	Parkhurst,	Sharp.
Dey,	Pearson,	
Dunn,	Stillwell,	
Edgar,	Speer,	
Frelinghuyzen,	Van Cleve,	
French,	Van Duyn,	
Gaston,	Voorhies,	
Gordon,	Ward,	
Haas,	Welsh,	
Howell,	Wood,	
Keafbey,	Wyckoff.	
Lloyd,		

Ordered, That the speaker do sign the same, and that the clerk do carry the said bill to the Council for concurrence.

The speaker laid before the house a communication from his excellency the governor, containing a letter from the governor of Maryland, with a resolution of the House of Delegates of that state, respecting runaway negroes, which were read and committed to Messrs. Blanch, Condict, Van Duyn, Bowen, Harrison, Lloyd and Lippencott.

A petition of John Harden, of Newton, in the county of Sussex, and of Alcha Hebler and Joseph Hebler, administrators &c. of Zachariah Hebler, deceased, praying that they may have leave to present a bill to authorize the said administrators to fulfil a contract entered into by the said deceased, in his life-time, was read and committed to Messrs. Speer, Sharp and Haas.

*Ordered,* That Messrs. VanCleve, Clark and Gordon, be a committee to prepare and present a bill for defraying incidental charges.

Mr. Neilson, with leave, presented a bill, intitled, "An act to authorize the treasurer to pay a certain sum of money to Josiah Hunt," together with a petition from the said Josiah Hunt, praying that the same may be passed into a law, were read.

*Ordered,* That the said bill be read a second time.

Mr. Clement, from the committee to whom was referred the several petitions from Gloucester, Salem and Burlington, praying that coasting vessels may not be taxed, &c. presented a bill, intitled, "An act respecting coasting vessels and seamen;" which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

Mr. Pearson, from the committee to whom was referred the message from the governor, on the subject of courts marshal, presented a bill, intitled, "An act relative to courts marshal and courts of enquiry;" which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

The house adjourned till to-morrow morning ten of the clock.

*Wednesday, February 11, 1801.*

The house met.

The engrossed bill, intitled, "An act to divorce Hannah Miller from her husband Melyne Miller," was read and compared;

On the question, Whether the same do pass? It was carried in the affirmative, as follows:

Yeaſ.	Yeaſ.	Yeaſ.
Messrs. Blanch,	Messrs. French,	Messrs. Parkhurst,
Bowen,	Gaston,	Pearſon,
Barrowes,	Haas,	Sharp,
Clark,	Harrison,	Stillwell,
Clement,	Howell,	VanCleve,
Condict,	Lippencott,	VanDuyn
Dey,	Lloyd,	Voorhiés,
Dickerson,	M' Eowen,	Ward,
Dunn,	Mofs,	Welſh,
Edgar,	Neilſon,	Wood.
Frelinghuyſen,		

Nays.

Messrs. Keasbey,  
Mayhew,

Nays.

Messrs. Speer,  
Wyckoff.

*Ordered*, That the speaker do sign the same, and that the clerk do carry the said bill to Council for concurrence.

The bill, intitled, "An act to authorize the treasurer to pay a certain sum of money to Josiah Hunt," was read a second time and ordered to be engrossed.

Mr. Stillwell, from the committee to whom was referred the representation from the inspectors of the state-prison, reported,

That they have examined the premises and are of opinion, that there should be a stone-wall built, with proper gates in the same, to run from the northeast corner of the men's apartment to the main wall of the prison yard—And your committee are further of opinion, that it is not expedient, at this time, to go into the building of cells.

By order of the committee,  
**JOSEPH STILLWELL.**

Which report was read and agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the same committee prepare and present a bill in compliance with the said report.

A petition from Daniel Potter, late a soldier in the cavalry on the western expedition, praying to be compensated for his expenses while delayed by sickness, in the hospital at Pittsburgh, was read and committed to Messrs. Dunn, Burrowes and Howell.

Mr. Keasbey, agreeably to leave given, and in behalf of the petitioners, presented a bill, intitled, "An act to enable the owners and possessors of marsh, swamp and cripple, lying on the west branch of Stow-Creek, in the township of Lower-Alloways-Creek in the county of Salem, to erect a dam and other water works, and more effectually to drain and improve the same, and to repeal the law heretofore made for that purpose;" which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

The bill, intitled, "An act respecting coasting vessels and seamen," was read a second time and ordered to be engrossed.

A petition from the county of Morris, praying that a law may pass more effectually to punish overseers of the highways for neglect of their duty, was read and committed to Messrs. Neilson, Voorhies and Wood.

A message from the Council, by Mr. Beatty, their secretary.

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have concurred in the warrant in favor of William Findley.

Mr. Beatty presented a bill from Council, intitled, "An act to authorize the owners and possessors of a certain tract of wood-land therein named, to prevent horses, cattle and sheep from running at large therein, under certain restrictions."

Which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

The paper in the report of unfinished business, marked No. 11, being a petition from the sureties of John Hardenburgh, late sheriff of Somerset, was read and committed to Messrs. Ward, VanDuyn and Moss, to report thereon.

A petition from the trustees of the Springfield-Academy, praying the benefit of a lottery to aid the funds of their academy, and praying leave to present a bill for that purpose, was read and committed to Messrs. VanCleave, Parkhurst and Clark.

A petition of the rector, wardens and vestrymen of St. Johns'-Church, in Elizabeth-Town, praying the benefit of a lottery to aid the funds of the said church, and praying leave to present a bill for that purpose, was read and committed to Messrs. VanCleave, Parkhurst and Clark.

A petition from the trustees of the first presbyterian church in Newton, in the county of Sussex, and the trustees of Newton-Academy, praying the benefit of a lottery to aid the funds of the said church and academy, was read and committed to Messrs. VanCleave, Parkhurst and Clark.

The house adjourned to three o'clock P. M.

The house met.

The bill, intitled, "An act to enable the owners and possessors of marsh, swamp and cripple, lying on the west branch of Stow-Creek, in the township of Lower-Alloways-Creek, in the county of Salem, to erect a bank, dam and other water works, more effectually to drain and improve the same, and to repeal the law heretofore made for that purpose," was read a second time and ordered to be engrossed.

A petition from sundry owners and possessors of salt meadow in the township of Newark, praying that a law may pass to authorize the inhabitants of that township, in town-meeting, to make such bye-laws to prevent cattle trespassing on their salt meadows, as they may see proper, was read and committed to Messrs. Moss, Wyckoff and Speer, to report by bill or otherwise.

Mr. Dunn, from the committee to whom was referred the petition of Daniel Potter, reported,

That having examined the petition and the evidences accompanying it, are of opinion, that it is a proper subject of legislation, and that the petitioner have leave to present a bill to answer the prayer of his petition.

By order of the committee.

GERSHOM DUNN.

Which report was read and agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the said committee prepare and present a bill to answer the prayer of the petitioner.

Mr. Stillwell, from the committee appointed for that purpose, presented a bill, intitled, "An act for appropriating a sum of money towards the building of a stone-wall for the safe-keeping of the prisoners in the state-prison;" which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Wood have leave of absence for the remainder of the present sitting.

The house adjourned till to-morrow morning ten of the clock.

*Thursday, February 12, 1801.*

The house met.

A message from the Council, by Mr. Beatty, their secretary,

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have passed the bill, intitled, "An act to authorize the treasurer to pay to Moses Roff a certain sum of money," without amendment.

A petition from David Ford, stating a demand against the forfeited estate of Samuel Cooke, was read and committed to Messrs. VanCleve, Pearson and VanDuyne.

Mr. Dunn, with leave, and in behalf of the petitioner, presented a bill, intitled, "An act for the relief of Daniel Potter;" which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

The engrossed bill, intitled, "An act respecting coasting vessels," was read and compared;

On the question, Whether the same do pass? It was carried in the affirmative, as follows:

Yeas.	Nays.
Messrs. Blanch,	Messrs. Clark,
Bowen,	Condict,
Burrowes,	Dickerson,
Clément,	Dunn,
Dey,	Gaston,
Edgar,	Haas,
Frelinghuysens,	Howell,
French,	Keasbey,
Gordon,	Mayhew,
Harrison,	M' Eowen,
Lippencott,	Moss,
Lloyd,	Sharp,
Neilson,	VanCleve,
Parkhurst,	VanDuyne,
Pearson,	Voorhies,
Stillwell,	Wyckoff.

The engrossed bill, intitled, "An act to authorize the treasurer to pay a certain sum of money to Josiah Hunt," was read and compared;

On the question, Whether the same do pass? It was carried in the affirmative, as follows:

Yeas.	Yeas.	Nays.
Messrs. Bowen,	Messrs. Lloyd,	Messrs. Blanch,
Burrowes,	Mayhew,	Clement,
Clark,	M'Eowen,	French,
Condict,	Neilson,	Keasbey,
Dey,	Parkhurst,	Moss.
Dickerson,	Pearson,	
Dunn,	Sharp,	
Edgar,	Stillwell,	
Frelinghuysen,	Speer,	
Gaston,	VanCleve,	
Gordon,	VanDuyne,	
Haas,	Voorhies,	
Harrison,	Ward,	
Howell,	Welsh,	
Lippencott,	Wyckoff.	

The engrossed bill, intitled, "An act altering the time of holding the circuit courts and courts of common pleas and general quarter sessions, in and for the county of Burlington," was read and compared;

*Resolved*, That the same do pass.

*Ordered*, That the speaker do sign the said several bills, and that the clerk do carry the same to the Council and request their concurrence therein.

A memorial from the stockholders of the bridges near Newark, across Hackensack and Passaic rivers, desiring that no law may pass to authorize the erection of other bridges to the injury of the said stockholders, was read and ordered a second reading.

A petition from sundry inhabitants of the counties of Essex and Morris, praying that they and their future associates, or so many of them as may think proper, may be incorporated for the purpose of erecting and maintaining a turnpike road from Newark to the river Delaware, was read and ordered a second reading.

Mr. Condict, agreeably to leave given, and in behalf of the petitioners, presented the draught of a bill, intitled, "An act for facilitating the communication between Morris-Town, in the county of Morris, and Elizabeth-Town, in the county of Essex;" which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

A message from the Council, by Mr. Beatty, their secretary  
Mr. Speaker,

The bill, intitled, "An act to divorce Hannah Miller from her husband, Melyne Miller," is disagreed to by Council.

The house adjourned to three o'clock P. M.

The house met.

Mr. Neilson, from the committee appointed to examine the law for working and repairing the highways, and report whether any alterations are necessary, reported as follows:

That having examined the act making provision for working and repairing the highways, are of opinion, that an additional provision for obliging the overseers of the highways to attend to the duties of such office will be useful, and beg leave to present a bill for that purpose.

By order of the committee,

JOHN NEILSON.

To which the house agreed; whereupon,

Mr. Neilson presented a bill, intitled, "An act to make further provision for working and repairing the highways;" which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

Agreeably to the order of the day, the speaker laid before the house a bill, intitled, "An act for facilitating the communication between the cities of New-York and Philadelphia," with sundry petitions in favor of and against passing the same into a law; whereupon the said bill was read and the house proceeded to hear the allegations and evidences of the advocates for the bill, and after some time spent thereon,

*Ordered*, That the further consideration thereof be postponed.

A message from the Council, by Mr. Beatty, their secretary.

Mr. Speaker,

The bill, intitled, "An act respecting coasting vessels," is disagreed to by Council.

The house adjourned till to-morrow morning ten of the clock.

*Friday, February 13, 1801.*

The house met.

The bill, intitled, "An act for facilitating the communication between Morris-Town, in the county of Morris, and Elizabeth-Town, in the county of Essex," was read a second time and committed to Messrs. Condict, Dickerson and Stockton.

The bill, intitled, "An act to incorporate into a township, a part of the townships of Fairfield and Maurice-River, in the county of Cumberland," was read a second time, it having been shewn to the house that the same has been published agreeably to the order of the house of the 18th of November last.

*Ordered,* That the further consideration of the said bill be postponed.

Mr. Blanch, from the committee to whom was referred the communications from the governor of the state of Maryland to the governor of this state, respecting runaway negroes. reported,

That they have maturely considered the purport of said communications, and are of opinion, that the seventh and twenty-seventh sections of a law of this state, intitled, "An act respecting slaves," passed the 14th day of March, 1798, is fully adequate to answer every purpose intended by said communications.

By order of the committee,

THOMAS BLANCH.

Which report was read and agreed to.

*Ordered,* That the speaker be directed to communicate this report and a copy of the said sections to his excellency the go-

vernor, with a request that he would transmit the same to the executive of the state of Maryland.

A petition from a number of inhabitants of this state, praying that the law laying a tax on dogs may be revised, and that when sheep may be killed by dogs they shall be paid for out of the dog-tax, was read and committed to Messrs. Lippen-cott, Edgar and Burrowes.

A message from the Council, by Mr. Beatty, their secretary.

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have passed the bill, intitled, "An act altering the time of holding the circuit courts and courts of common pleas and general quarter sessions in and for the county of Burlington," without amendment.

Mr. Beatty returned from Council, the bill, intitled, "An act to authorize the treasurer to pay a certain sum of money to Josiah Hunt," with the amendments made thereto by Council, to which amendments he requested the concurrence of this house.

Which bill, as amended, was read and ordered a second reading.

The house proceeded in the hearing on the bill, intitled, "An act for facilitating the communication between the cities of New-York and Philadelphia," and after some time spent thereon,

*Ordered*, That the further consideration thereof be postponed.

The house adjourned to three o'clock P. M.

The house met.

The bill, intitled, "An act for the relief of Daniel Potter," was read a second time and ordered to be engrossed.

The house proceeded in the hearing on the bill, intitled, "An act for facilitating the communication between the cities of New-York and Philadelphia," and after some time spent thereon,

*Ordered,* That the further consideration thereof be postponed.

The house adjourned till to-morrow morning nine o'clock.

*Saturday, February 14, 1801.*

The house met.

Mr. VanCleve, from the committee to whom was referred the petition of David Ford, reported,

That, in their opinion, the prayer of the petitioner ought to be granted, and that he have leave to present a bill. The opinion of the committee is founded on the following facts and principles :

On examining the papers committed to them they find, that Isabella Kearney and Samuel Cooke were jointly bound to Richard Tole in a bond, dated the 22d June, 1774, conditioned for the payment of one hundred pounds, with interest ; that they gave a mortgage on a lot of land, their joint property, to the said Tole, to secure the payment of said debt, which was contracted for the joint benefit of the said Isabella Kearney and Samuel Cooke ; that Mr. Cooke's moiety of the land was sold by the commissioners of forfeited estates in Monmouth county, and the amount, with other effects of the said Samuel Cooke, accounted for to the state, to the amount of about eleven hundred and eighty dollars. Mr. Tole's representatives resorted to Isabella Kearney, one of the obligors, commenced a suit against her, and recovered the whole debt, being 553 dols. 18 cts. ; the one half of which amounted to 276 dols. 59 cts. exclusive of interest since the payment is now asked for ; the children of the said Samuel Cooke, to indemnify the said Isabella Kearney, for the money so paid by her on account of their father, have paid her, the said one equal half part of said debt, out of an estate they inherited from their mother. Your committee are fully assured of the fact, that the debt was originally for the proper use of said Kearney and Cooke, each one half, and that the estate of Mr. Cooke ought, in justice, to pay the one half thereof ; this they believe fully appears from the oath of Mr. Faesch and others ; besides which, the very act of Mr. Cooke's mortgaging his own

estate for the money appears conclusive. Your committee believe it is not in the recollection of any person, that a person who only joined another as security in a bond, ever gave a mortgage on their own estate, as a further security. This is never done, unless the party is a principal. Your committee are therefore fully of opinion, that the said sum of 276 dols. 59 cts. ought to be paid to the said David Ford, for the use of the said children, they having all the right and equity that the said Richard Tole or Isabella Kearney ever had.

By order of the committee,

BENJAMIN VANCLEVE.

Which report was read and ordered a second reading.

The house proceeded in the hearing on the bill, intitled, "An act for facilitating the communication between the cities of New-York and Philadelphia," and after some time spent thereon,

*Ordered*, That the further consideration thereof be postponed.

The house adjourned to three o'clock P. M.

The house met.

A petition from Jasper Smith, esquire, Daniel La Tourrette and others, praying, for reasons therein set forth, that a law may be made to compel each owner of a dog to make him carry a bell, hung to his neck, was read and committed to Messrs. Lippencott, Edgar and Burrowes.

The bill, intitled, "An act to authorize the treasurer to pay a certain sum of money to Josiah Hunt," with the amendments made thereto by Council, was read a second time, the amendments agreed to, and the bill ordered to be re-engrossed.

The house proceeded in the hearing on the bill, intitled, "An act for facilitating the communication between the cities of New-York and Philadelphia," and after some time spent thereon,

*Ordered*, That the further consideration thereof be postponed.

The house adjourned till Monday morning ten of the clock.

*Monday, February 16, 1801.*

The house met.

On motion,

*Ordered,* That the hearing on the petition of Andrew Craig be postponed until Wednesday next at ten o'clock in the forenoon.

A message from the Council, by Mr. Beatty, their secretary.

Mr. Speaker,

I am directed to lay before the House of Assembly a bill, intitled, "An act to divide the township of Shrewsbury, in the county of Monmouth."

Which bill he presented, and to which he requested the concurrence of this house; which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

The house proceeded in the hearing on the bill, intitled, "An act for facilitating the communication between the cities of New-York and Philadelphia," and after some time spent thereon,

*Ordered,* That the further consideration thereof be postponed.

The house adjourned to three o'clock P. M.

The house met.

The house proceeded in the hearing on the bill, intitled, "An act for facilitating the communication between the cities of New-York and Philadelphia," and after some time spent thereon,

*Ordered,* That the further consideration thereof be postponed.

Mr. Leaming attended and took his seat.

The house adjourned till to-morrow morning ten of the clock.

*Tuesday, February 17, 1801.*

The house met.

The house proceeded to hear counsel on the bill, intitled,

"An act for facilitating the communication between the cities of New-York and Philadelphia," and after some time spent thereon,

*Ordered*, That the further consideration thereof be postponed.

The re-engrossed bill, intitled, "An act to authorize the treasurer to pay a certain sum of money to Josiah Hunt," was read and compared;

*Resolved unanimously*, That the same do pass.

*Ordered*, That the speaker do sign the same, and that the clerk do carry the said bill to the Council, and acquaint them that the same is passed by this house with their amendments.

The house adjourned to three o'clock P. M.

The house met.

The house resumed the consideration, and proceeded further to hear counsel on the bill, intitled, "An act for facilitating the communication between the cities of New-York and Philadelphia," and after some time spent thereon,

*Ordered*, That the further consideration thereof be postponed.

The house adjourned till to-morrow morning ten of the clock.

*Wednesday, February 18, 1801.*

The house met.

Mr. VanCleve, from the committee to whom was referred the petition of the rector, wardens and vestrymen of St. John's Church in Elizabeth-Town, and the petition of the trustees of the Springfield-Academy, and also the petition of the trustees of the first presbyterian Church in Newton, in the county of Sussex, and the trustees of Newton-Academy, reported,

That, in the opinion of the committee the request for a lottery contained in each of the said petitions ought to be granted

and that leave be given to the said petitioners to present bills accordingly.

By order of the committee,

BENJAMIN VANCLEVE.

Which report was read and ordered a second reading.

The engrossed bill, intitled, "An act for the relief of Daniel Potter," was read and compared;

On the question, Whether the same do pass? It was carried in the affirmative, as follows:

Yea.	Yea.	Nay.
Messrs. Blanch,	Messrs. Lippencott,	Messrs. Condict,
Bowen,	Lloyd,	Leaming,
Burrowes,	M' Eowen,	Mayhew,
Clark,	Moss,	Voorhies,
Clement,	Neilson,	
Dey,	Parkhurst,	
Dickerson,	Pearson,	
Dunn,	Sharp,	
Edgar,	Stillwell,	
Frelinghuysen,	Stockton,	
French,	Speer,	
Gaston,	Van Cleve,	
Gordon,	Van Duyn,	
Haas,	Ward,	
Harrison,	Welsh,	
Howell,	Wyckoff.	
Keasbey,		

Ordered, That the speaker do sign the same, and that the clerk do carry the said bill to the Council and request their concurrence therein.

The engrossed bill, intitled, "An act for the relief of insolvent debtors," was read and compared;

On the question, Whether the same do pass? It was negatived, as follows:

Nay.	Nay.	Nay.
Messrs. Bowen,	Messrs. Keasbey,	Messrs. Speer,
Burrowes,	Leaming,	Van Duyn,
Clark,	Mayhew,	Voorhies,
Clement,	M' Eowen,	Welsh,
Dickerson,	Moss,	Wyckoff.
Edgar,	Neilson,	
Gaston,	Parkhurst,	

Yea.	Yea.	Yea.
Messrs. Blanch,	Messrs. Gordon,	Messrs. Sharp,
Condict,	Haas,	Stillwell,
Dey,	Harrison,	Stockton,
Dunn,	Howell,	VanCleve,
Frelinghuysen,	Lippencott,	Ward.
French,	Pearson,	

Mr. Harrison, with leave, presented a bill, intitled, "An act to enable the owners and possessors of a certain tract or body of meadow, lying on the east side of Racoon-Creek, in the township of Woolwich and county of Gloucester, to keep up and maintain the dams, tide bank, and other water works necessary to prevent the tide from overflowing the same, and to keep the main causeway, into said meadow, in good repair, and the water courses and drains open and clear," with a petition from several of the owners, praying that the same may be enacted into a law, which were read.

*Ordered*, That the said bill be read a second time.

The engrossed bill, intitled, "An act to enable the owners and possessors of marsh, swamp and cripple, lying on the west branch of Stow-Creek, in the township of Lower-Alloways-Creek, in the county of Salem, to erect a bank, dam and other water works, and more effectually to drain and improve the same, and to repeal the law heretofore made for that purpose," was read and compared ;

On the question, Whether the same do pass? It was carried in the affirmative, as follows :

Yea.	Yea.	Yea.
Messrs. Blanch,	Messrs. Harrison,	Messrs. Stockton,
Bowen,	Howell,	Speer,
Burrowes,	Keasbey,	VanCleve,
Clark,	Leaming,	VanDuyn
Clement,	Lloyd,	Voorhies,
Dey,	Mayhew,	Ward,
Dunn,	M'Eowen,	Welsh,
Edgar,	Moss,	Wyckoff.
Frelinghuysen,	Neilson,	
French,	Parkhurst,	
Gordon,	Pearson,	
Haas,	Stillwell,	

Nay.  
Mr. Dickerson,

Nay.  
Mr. Sharp.

*Ordered*, That the speaker do sign the same, and that the clerk do carry the said bill to the Council and request their concurrence therein.

The report of Mr. VanCleve, of the 14<sup>th</sup> instant, on the petition of David Ford, was read a second time and disagreed to.

*Ordered*, That the petition of David Ford be dismissed.

The house adjourned to three o'clock P. M.

The house met.

Mr. VanCleve, with leave, presented a bill, intitled, "An act for the relief of persons confined for debt;" which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

The bill, intitled, "An act to alter the line of bounds between the townships of Evesham and Chester, in the county of Burlington," was read a second time, debated, and ordered to be engrossed.

Mr. Ward, with leave, presented a bill, intitled, "A supplement to the act respecting slaves," with a petition from the grand jury of Bergen, and a petition from sundry inhabitants of the county of Bergen, praying a more effectual remedy to punish negroes for high crimes and misdemeanors, which were read.

*Ordered*, That the said bill be read a second time.

The speaker communicated, from his excellency the governor, a resolution by the House of Delegates of the state of Maryland, proposing an amendment to the constitution of the United States, that the electors of the president of the United States shall be elected by the people, in districts, &c.; which resolution was read and ordered a second reading.

A petition from sundry inhabitants of Lambertown, praying that a law may pass, directing inspectors of logs, timber and boards, to be appointed, and to provide for inconveniences arising from the breaking of rafts of lumber, and losses sustain-

ed in consequence thereof, was read and committed to Messrs. Wyckoff, Gaston and Pearson.

The report of Mr. VanCleve, of this morning, on the subject of lotteries, was read and disagreed to ; whereupon,

*Ordered*, That the petitions referred to in the said report be dismissed.

A message from the Council, by Mr. Beatty, their secretary.

Mr. Speaker,

I am directed by Council to lay before the Assembly a bill, intitled, "An act to alter and amend the charter of the city of New-Brunswick," with the amendments made thereto by Council ; to which amendments he requested the concurrence of this house.

Which bill, as amended, was read and ordered a second reading.

The bill, intitled, "An act relative to courts marshal and courts of enquiry," was read a second time and committed to Messrs. Pearson, Dunn and Parkhurst.

A message from the Council, by Mr. Beatty, their secretary.

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have disagreed to the bill, intitled, "An act for the relief of Daniel Potter."

Mr. Speer, from the committee to whom was referred the petition of Alcha Hebler and Joseph Hebler, administrators, &c. of Zachariah Hebler, deceased, presented a bill, intitled, "An act to authorize Alcha Hebler and Joseph Hebler, administrators, &c. of Zachariah Hebler, deceased, to fulfil a contract for the sale of lands made by the said deceased with John Harden."

Which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

The house resumed the consideration of the bill, intitled, "An act to incorporate into a township, a part of the townships of Fairfield and Maurice-River, in the county of Cumberland," and after some time spent thereon,

*Ordered*, That the further consideration thereof be postponed.

The house adjourned till to-morrow morning ten of the clock.

*Thursday, February 19, 1801.*

The house met.

A petition from David Baird of the county of Monmouth, stating a demand against the state, and praying payment, was read and committed to Messrs. French, Howell and Welsh.

The bill, intitled, "An act to authorize the owners and possessors of a certain tract of wood land therein named to prevent horses, cattle and sheep from running at large therein," was read a second time and ordered to be read a third time.

The engrossed bill, intitled, "An act to alter the line and bounds between the townships of Evesham and Chester, in the county of Burlington," was read and compared;

*Resolved unanimously,* That the same do pass.

*Ordered,* That the speaker do sign the same, and that the clerk do carry the said bill to the Council for concurrence.

Mr. Condict, from the committee to whom was referred the bill, intitled, "An act for facilitating the communication between Morris-Town, in the county of Morris, and Elizabeth-Town, in the county of Essex," reported the same with sundry amendments and the following title: "An act for facilitating the communication from Elizabeth-Town, in the county of Essex, through Morris-Town, in the county of Morris, into the county of Sussex;" which bill was read.

*Ordered,* That the further consideration thereof be postponed.

The house, agreeably to the order of the day proceeded to hear the allegations and evidence offered in support of the prayer of the petition of Andrew Craig, and against the same, and after some time spent thereon,

*Ordered,* That the further consideration thereof be postponed.

The house adjourned to three o'clock P. M.

The house met.

The bill, intitled, "An act for appropriating a sum of money towards the building of a stone wall for the safe-keeping of the prisoners in the state-prison," was read a second time and ordered to be engrossed.

Mr. Ward, from the committee to whom was referred the petition from the sureties of John Hardenburgh, esquire, presented a bill, intitled, "An act for the relief of Philip Vandalsden, Abraham Bertron, Gilbert A. Lane and others, the sureties of John Hardenburgh, late sheriff of Somerset;" which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

A message from the Council, by Mr. Beatty, their secretary.

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have passed the bill, intitled, "An act to enable the owners and possessors of marsh, swamp and cripple, lying on the west branch of Stow-Creek, in the township of Lower-Alloways-Creek, in the county of Salem, to erect a bank, dam and other water works, and more effectually to drain and improve the same, and to repeal the law heretofore made for that purpose," without amendment.

The house proceeded to hear the allegations and evidence offered in support of the prayer of the petition of Andrew Craig, and against the same, and after some time spent thereon,

*Ordered*, That the further consideration thereof be postponed.

The house resumed the consideration of the bill, intitled, "An act to incorporate into a township a part of the townships of Fairfield and Maurice-River, in the county of Cumberland," and after having gone through the said bill,

*Ordered*, That the same be engrossed.

The house adjourned till to-morrow morning ten of the clock.

*Friday, February 20, 1801.*

The house met.

Mr. Frelinghuysen, from the committee who were appointed to report by bill or otherwise, whether any and what alterations will be necessary in the laws of this state, respecting the times of holding the courts of law in the several counties, reported as follows :

That in their opinion, it is not expedient, at present, to make any alterations in the laws on this subject.

By order of the committee,

FREDERICK FRELINGHUYSEN.

Which report was read and agreed to.

The bill, intitled, "An act to enable the owners and possessors of a certain tract or body of meadow, lying on the east side of Racoon-Creek, in the township of Woolwich and county of Gloucester, to keep up and maintain the dams, tide bank and other water works necessary to prevent the tide from overflowing the same, and to keep the main causeway, into said meadow, in good repair, and the water courses and drains open and clear," was read a second time and committed to Messrs. Harrison, Clement and French.

Mr. Kcasbey, with leave, presented a bill, intitled, "A Supplement to the act for the better relief and employment of the poor of the county of Salem;" which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

The house proceeded to hear the allegations and evidence offered in support of the prayer of the petition of Andrew Craig, and after having gone through the hearing,

*Ordered,* That the petitioner have leave to present a bill to answer the prayer of his petition ; whereupon,

The petitioner presented a bill, intitled, "An act in respect to the record of the inferior court of common pleas in and for the county of Burlington, in a certain case ;" which bill was read and committed to Messrs. Neilson, Frelinghuysen and Leaming.

Agreeably to the order of the day, the bill, intitled, "An act for facilitating the communication between the cities of

New-York and Philadelphia," was read a second time, and after some time spent thereon,

*Ordered*, That the further consideration thereof be postponed.

Mr. Lippencott, from the committee to whom was referred the petition presented on the 13th instant, praying that the law laying a tax on dogs may be revised, presented a bill, intitled, "An act to encourage the breeding of sheep;" which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

A message from the Council, by Mr. Beatty, their secretary,  
Mr. Speaker,

I am directed to lay before the Assembly a bill, intitled, "An act to alter and amend the act, intitled, "An act to authorize the governor of this state to incorporate a company for erecting a bridge over the river Delaware, at or near Trenton, passed March 3, 1798;" which bill he presented and to which he requested the concurrence of this house.

Which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

The house resumed the consideration of the bill, intitled, "An act for facilitating the communication between the cities of New-York and Philadelphia," and after some time spent thereon,

*Ordered*, That the further consideration thereof be postponed.

The house adjourned till to-morrow morning ten of the clock.

*Saturday, February 21, 1801.*

The house met.

The engrossed bill, intitled, "An act to incorporate into a township a part of the townships of Fairfield and Maurice-River, in the county of Cumberland," was read and compared;

*Resolved unanimously*, That the same do pass.

The engrossed bill, intitled, "An act for appropriating a sum of money towards the building of a stone wall for the

safe-keeping of the prisoners in the state-prison," was read and compared ;

On the question, Whether the same do pass ? It was carried in the affirmative, as follows :

Yea.	Yea.	Nay.
Messrs. Blanch,	Messrs. Pearson,	Messrs. Clark,
Bowen,	Stillwell,	Condict,
Burrowes,	Stockton,	Dickerson,
Clement,	VanCleve,	Frelinghuysen,
Dey,	Ward,	Gaston,
French,	Welsh,	Haas,
Gordon,	Wyckoff.	Howell,
Harrison,		Keasbey,
Leaming,		McEowen,
Lippencott,		Parkhurst,
Lloyd,		Sharp,
Mayhew,		Speer,
Moss,		VanDuyn,
Neilson,		Voorhies.

Ordered, That the speaker do sign the said bills, and that the clerk do carry the same to the Council and request their concurrence therein.

Mr. Neilson, from the committee appointed to take into consideration the fifty-ninth section of an act respecting the court of chancery, passed the 12th of June, 1799, presented a bill, intitled, "A supplement to the act, intitled, "An act respecting the court of chancery;" which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

The bill, intitled, "An act to alter and amend the charter of the city of New-Brunswick," with the amendments made thereto by Council, was read a second time, the amendments agreed to, and the bill ordered to be re-engrossed.

The house resumed the consideration of the bill, intitled, "An act for facilitating the communication between the cities of New-York and Philadelphia."

A motion was made that the house go into a committee of the whole on the said bill, which was agreed to; whereupon,

The speaker left the chair, and Mr. Neilson took the chair of the committee, and after some time spent thereon, the

Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Neilson, chairman of the committee, reported that the committee had made some progress in the bill to them referred, and desired leave to sit again.

*Ordered,* That the said committee have leave to sit again.

The house adjourned till Monday morning ten of the clock.

*Monday, February 23, 1801.*

The house met.

Mr. Lloyd, with leave, presented a bill, intitled, "An act to amend an act, intitled, "An act concerning conveyances ;" which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

The re-engrossed bill, intitled, "An act to alter and amend the charter of the city of New-Brunswick," was read and compared ;

On the question, Whether the same do pass? It was carried in the affirmative, as follows:

Yea.	Yea.	Nay.
Messrs. Blanch,	Messrs. Leaming,	Mr. VanDynd.
Burrowes,	Lippencott,	
Clark,	Lloyd,	
Clement,	Mayhew,	
Condick,	McEowen,	
Dey,	Moss,	
Dickerson,	Parkhurst,	
Dunn,	Pearson,	
Edgar,	Sharp,	
Frelinghuysen,	Stillwell,	
French,	Speer,	
Gaston,	VanCleve,	
Gordon,	Voorhies,	
Haas,	Ward,	
Harrison,	Welsh,	
Howell,	Wyckoff.	
Keasbey,		

*Ordered,* That the speaker do sign the said bill, and that the clerk do carry the same to the Council, and inform them that the said bill is passed by this house with the amendments made thereto by the Council.

The bill, intitled, "An act to alter and amend the act, intitled, "An act to authorize the governor of this state to incorporate a company for erecting a bridge over the river Delaware, at or near Trenton, passed March 3, 1798," was read a second time and ordered a third reading.

A message from the Council, by Mr. Beatty, their secretary.

Mr. Speaker,

The bill, intitled, "An act to alter the line and bounds between the townships of Evesham and Chester, in the county of Burlington," is passed by Council without amendment.

The speaker laid before the house a book containing the journals of the Senate of the United States, of the first session of the sixth Congress, which was ordered to be deposited in the library.

The bill, intitled, "An act to divide the township of Shrewsbury, in the county of Monmouth," was read a secoad time and ordered a third reading.

Mr. Harrison, from the committee to whom was referred the bill, intitled, "An act to enable the owners and possessors of a certain tract or body of meadow, lying on the east side of Racoon-Creek, in the township of Woolwich and county of Gloucester, to keep up and maintain the dams, tide bank and other water works necessary to prevent the tide from overflowing the same, and to keep *the main causeway, into said meadow, in good repair, and* the water courses and drains open and clear," reported the same with sundry amendments, leaving out, in the title, the following words: "The main causeway into said meadow in good repair, and;" which bill was read, debated by paragraphs, and ordered to be engrossed.

The bill, intitled, "An act to authorize Alcha Hebler and Joseph Hebler, administrators, &c. of Zachariah Hebler, deceased, to fulfil a contract for the sale of lands made by the deceased with John Harden," was read a second time and ordered to be engrossed.

The bill, intitled, "An act to encourage the breeding of sheep," was read a second time and committed to Messrs. Stillwell, M'Eowen and Stockton.

The house adjourned to three o'clock P. M.

The house met.

Mr. French, from the committee to whom was referred the petition of David Baird, reported,

That they have duly examined the papers of the petitioner and considered the same, and are of opinion that the prayer of the petitioner ought not to be granted.

By order of the committee,

SAMUEL FRENCH.

Which report was read and agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the petition of David Baird be dismissed.

A petition from Joseph Hallsay was read, praying payment of a surplus certificate accompanying his petition.

*Ordered*, That the same be referred to the committee on the incidental bill.

Agreeably to order, the house resolved itself into a committee of the whole on the bill, intitled, "An act to facilitate the communication between the cities of New-York and Philadelphia."

Mr. Neilson, who was chairman of the committee, being absent, Mr. Stillwell took the chair of the committee, and after some time spent thereon, the speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Stillwell, chairman of the committee, reported that the committee had made some progress in the bill committed to them, and desired leave to sit again.

*Ordered*, That the said committee sit again.

The bill, intitled, "An act to divide the township of Shrewsbury, in the county of Monmouth," was read a third time;

On the question, Whether the same do pass? It was carried in the affirmative, as follows:

Yea.	Yea.	Yea.
Messrs. Blanch,	Messrs. Dickerson,	Messrs. Haas,
Burrowes,	Dunn,	Harrison,
Clark,	Edgar,	Howell,
Clement,	Frelinghuysen,	Leaming,
Condict,	French,	Lippencott,
Dey,	Gaston,	Lloyd,

Yea.	Nays.	Nay.
Messrs. Mayhew,	Messrs. Bowen,	Mr. Speer,
Pearson,	Gordon,	
Stockton,	Keasbey,	
VanCleve,	M' Eowen,	
Van Duyn,	Moss,	
Ward,	Parkhurst,	
Welsh,	Sharp,	
Wyckoff.	Stillwell,	

*Ordered*, That the speaker do sign the same, and that the clerk do wait on the Council and acquaint them that the same is passed by this house without amendment.

The house adjourned till to-morrow morning ten of the clock.

*Tuesday, February 24, 1801.*

The house met.

Mr. Neilson, from the committee to whom was referred the bill, intitled, "An act in respect to the record of the inferior court of common pleas in and for the county of Burlington, in certain cases," reported the same with sundry amendments; which bill, as amended, was read and ordered a second reading.

A representation from John Reed of the county of Hunterdon, was read, stating that David Hay, one of the justices of the peace of the county of Monmouth, had been guilty of malpractice in his office as a justice of the peace, and desiring that the said David Hay may be called on to answer to the charges exhibited against him, and that articles of impeachment may be preferred against him.

*Ordered*, That the said representation be read a second time.

Agreeably to order, the house again resolved itself into a committee of the whole on the bill, intitled, "An act to facilitate the communication between the cities of New-York and Philadelphia."

Mr. Neilson, having returned to the house, took the chair of the committee, and after having gone through the said bill,

the speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Neilson, chairman of the committee, reported the said bill, as amended by the committee, which was read, and recommitted to Messrs. Condict, Neilson and VanDuyn.

The engrossed bill, intitled, "An act to authorize Alcha Hebler and Joseph Hebler, administrators, &c. of Zachariah Hebler, deceased, to fulfil a contract for the sale of lands made by the deceased with John Harden," was read and compared;

On the question, Whether the same do pass? It was carried in the affirmative, as follows:

Yea.	Yeas.	Nays.
Messrs. Blanch,	Messrs. Howell,	Messrs. Clement,
Bowen,	Leaming,	Mofs.
Burrowes,	Lloyd,	
Clark,	Mayhew,	
Condict,	McEwen,	
Dey,	Neilson,	
Dickerson,	Parkhurst,	
Dunn,	Pearson,	
Edgar,	Sharp,	
Frelinghuysen,	Stillwell,	
French,	Speer,	
Gaston,	VanCleve,	
Gordon,	VanDuyn,	
Haas,	Voorhies,	
Harrison,	Wyckoff.	

Ordered, That the speaker do sign the same, and that the clerk do carry the said bill to the Council and request their concurrence therein.

The bill, intitled "An act for the relief of persons confined for debt," was read a second time and committed to Messrs. Lloyd, Dunn and Stockton.

The house adjourned to three o'clock P. M.

The house met.

Mr. Condict, from the committee to whom was referred the bill, intitled, "An act for facilitating the communication between the cities of New-York and Philadelphia," reported

the same with sundry amendments, which bill was read and further amended in the house;

On the question, Whether the said bill be engrossed? It was carried in the affirmative, as follows:

Yea.	Yea.	Nay.
Messrs. Burrowes,	Messrs. Stillwell,	Messrs. Blanch,
Clement,	Stockton,	Bowen,
Condict,	VanCleve,	Clark,
Dickerson,	VanDuyn,	Dey,
Dunn,	Wyckoff.	Gordon,
Edgar,		Haas,
Frelinghuyzen,		Howell,
French,		Keafbey,
Gaston,		McEowen,
Harrison,		Moss,
Leaming,		Parkhurst,
Lippencott,		Sharp,
Lloyd,		Speer,
Mayhew,		Voorhies,
Neilson,		Ward,
Pearson,		Welsh.

Mr. Lloyd, from the committee to whom was referred the bill, intitled, "An act for the relief of persons confined for debt," reported the same with sundry amendments; which was read and ordered to be engrossed.

The engrossed bill, intitled, "An act to enable the owners and possessors of a certain tract or body of meadow, lying on the east side of Racoon-Creek, in the township of Woolwich and county of Gloucester, to keep up and maintain the dams, tide bank and other water works necessary to prevent the tide from overflowing the same, and to keep the water courses and drains open and clear," was read and compared;

*Resolved unanimously*, That the same do pass.

*Ordered*, That that speaker do sign the same, and that the clerk do carry the said bill to the Council and request their concurrence therein.

The house adjourned till to-morrow morning ten of the clock.

*Wednesday, February 25, 1801.*

The house met.

The bill, intitled, "An act further to regulate fees," was read a second time and committed to Messrs. Neilson, Parkhurst and VanCleve.

The bill, intitled, "An act in respect to the record of the inferior court of common pleas in and for the county of Burlington, in certain cases," was read a second time and ordered to be engrossed.

The bill, intitled, "An act to authorize the owners and possessors of a certain tract of wood land therein named to prevent horses, cattle and sheep from running at large therein," was read a third time;

On the question, Whether the same do pass? It was carried in the affirmative, as follows:

Yea.	Yeas.	Nays.
Messrs. Blanch,	Messrs. Lloyd,	Messrs. Clement,
Bowen,	Mayhew,	Dickerson,
Burrowes,	McEowen,	Keasbey,
Clark,	Neilson,	Moss,
Condict,	Parkhurst,	Sharp.
Dey,	Pearson,	
Dunn,	Stillwell,	
Edgar,	Stockton,	
French,	Speer,	
Gaston,	VanCleve,	
Gordon,	VanDuyn,	
Haas,	Voorhies,	
Harrison,	Ward,	
Howell,	Welsh,	
Leaming,	Wyckoff.	
Lippencott,		

*Ordered,* That the speaker do sign the same, and that the clerk do wait on the Council and inform them that the said bill is passed by this house without amendment.

A message from the Council, by Mr. Beatty, their secretary.

Mr. Speaker,

I am directed by Council to lay before the House of Assem-

bly the bill, intitled, "An act to incorporate into a township a part of the townships of Fairfield and Maurice-River, in the county of Cumberland," with the amendments made thereto by Council; to which amendments I am directed to request the concurrence of this house.

Which bill was read, with the amendments, and ordered a second reading.

Mr. Beatty informed the house that Council have passed the bill, intitled, "An act for appropriating a sum of money towards the building of a stone wall for the safe-keeping of the prisoners in the state-prison," without amendment.

The bill, intitled, "An act to facilitate the communication from Elizabeth-Town, in the county of Essex, through Morris-Town, in the county of Morris, and from thence into the county of Sussex," was read a second time and committed to Messrs. Dickerson, Condict and Clark.

A petition from Moses Hetfield, stating a demand against the forfeited estate of Cavalier Jewett, and praying payment, was read and committed to Messrs. Keasbey, Parkhurst and Burrowes.

A petition from sundry inhabitants of the city of New-Brunswick, proprietors of the aqueduct, praying they may be incorporated by law with certain privileges, was read and committed to Messrs. Dunn, M'Eowen, and Voorhies.

The house adjourned to three o'clock P. M.

The house met.

The engrossed bill, intitled, "An act for facilitating the communication between the cities of New-York and Philadelphia," was read and compared;

A motion was made to refer the said bill to the next session;

On the question, Whether the house agree to the said motion? It was carried in the negative, as follows:

Yea.	Yea.	Yea.
Messrs. Blanch,	Messrs. Gordon,	Messrs. M'Eowen,
Bowen,	Haas,	Parkhurst,
Clark,	Howell,	Speer,
Dey,	Keasbey,	Voorhies.
Gaston,	Mayhew,	

Nays.	Nays.	Nays.
Messrs. Burrowes,	Messrs. Harrison,	Messrs. Stillwell,
Clement,	Leaming,	Stockton,
Condict,	Lippencott,	VanCleve,
Dickerson,	Lloyd,	VanDuyn,
Dunn,	Moss,	Ward,
Edgar,	Neilson,	Welsh,
Frelinghuysen,	Pearson,	Wyckoff.
French,	Sharp,	

On the question, Whether the same do pass? It was carried in the affirmative, as follows:

Yea.	Yea.	Nays.
Messrs. Burrowes,	Messrs. Wyckoff,	Messrs. Blanch,
Clement,	Speaker.	Bowen,
Condict,		Clark,
Dickerson,		Dey,
Dunn,		Gordon,
Edgar,		Haas,
Frelinghuysen,		Howell,
French,		Keafbey,
Gaston,		Mayhew,
Harrison,		M'Éowen,
Leaming,		Moss,
Lippencott,		Parkhurst,
Lloyd,		Sharp,
Neilson,		Speer,
Pearson,		VanDuyn,
Stillwell,		Voorhies,
Stockton,		Ward,
VanCleve,		Welsh.

*Ordered*, That the speaker do sign the said bill, and that the clerk do carry the same to the Council for concurrence.

The engrossed bill, intitled, "An act in respect to the record of the inferior court of common pleas, in and for the county of Burlington, in certain cases," was read and compared;

*Resolved unanimously*, That the same do pass.

*Ordered*, That the speaker do sign the same, and that the clerk do carry the said bill to the Council and request their concurrence therein.

Mr. Stillwell, from the committee to whom was referred the bill, intitled, "An act to encourage the breeding of sheep," reported the same with sundry amendments, and the word *keeping*, in the title, instead of the word *breeding*, which was read and the further consideration thereof postponed.

Mr. Moss, from the committee to whom was referred the petition from Newark, presented a bill, intitled, "An act to prevent trespasses of cattle and horses on salt marshes and meadows;" which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

Mr. Wyckoff, from the committee appointed for that purpose, presented a bill, intitled, "An act making compensation for highways;" which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

The house adjourned till to-morrow morning ten of the clock.

*Thursday, February 26, 1801.*

The house met.

Mr. Dickerson, from the committee to whom was referred the bill, intitled, "An act to facilitate the communication from Elizabeth-Town, in the county of Essex, through Morris-Town, in the county of Morris, and from thence into the county of Sussex," reported the same with sundry amendments; which bill was read, and being further amended in the house, was ordered to be engrossed.

The bill, intitled, "An act to alter and amend the act, intitled, "An act to authorize the governor of this state to incorporate a company for erecting a bridge over the river Delaware, at or near Trenton, passed March 3, 1798," was read a third time;

*Resolved unanimously,* That the same do pass.

*Ordered,* That the speaker do sign the same, and that the clerk do wait on the Council and acquaint them that the same is passed by this house without amendment.

The engrossed bill, intitled, "An act for the relief of persons confined for debt," was read and compared;

On the question, Whether the same do pass? It was carried in the affirmative, as follows:

Yeaſ.	Yeaſ.	Nayſ.
Meſſrs. Blanch,	Meſſrs. Wyckoff,	Meſſrs. Clark,
Bowen,	Speaker.	Clement,
Burrowes,		Condict,
Dunn,		Dey,
Frelinghuysen,		Dickerson,
French,		Edgar,
Gordon,		Gaston,
Haas,		Howell,
Harrison,		Keafbey,
Leaming,		Mayhew,
Lippencott,		M' Eowen,
Lloyd,		Mofs,
Neilſon,		Parkhurst,
Pearſon,		Sharp,
Stillwell,		Speer,
Stockton,		VanDuyne,
VanCleve,		Voorhies,
Ward,		Welſh.

*Ordered*, That the ſpeaker do sign the ſame, and that the clerk do carry the ſaid bill to the Council and request their concurrence therein.

A petition from ſundry inhabitants of Weymouth and Great-Egg-Harbour, in the county of Glouceſter, ſtating charges againſt Jeremiah Smith, one of the juſtices of the peace of the county of Glouceſter—Also, a petition from Daniel Shaw, ſtating charges againſt James Steelman, one of the juſtices of the peace of the county of Glouceſter; which petitions were read and committed to Meſſrs. Edgar, Mofs and Blanch.

The petition of John Reed, ſtating charges againſt David Hay, esquire, one of the juſtices of the peace of the county of Monmouth, in the execution of his office, was read a ſecond time and diſmiffed.

A petition from Jonathan Forman, praying the Legislature to make him compensation for the loſs of a horse on the western expedition, in the ſervice of the United States, was read and ordered a ſecond reading.

The bill, intituled, “ An act to incorporate into a township

a part of the townships of Fairfield and Maurice-River, in the county of Cumberland," was read a second time, the amendments agreed to and the bill ordered to be re-engrossed.

A message from the Council, by Mr. Beatty, their secretary.

Mr. Speaker,

I am directed by Council to lay before this house a bill, intitled, "An act to alter and amend the act, intitled, "An act concerning inns and taverns," and request their concurrence in the said bill.

Which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

Mr. Beatty informed the house that Council have passed the bill, intitled, "An act to authorize Alcha Hebler and Joseph Hebler, administrators, &c. of Zachariah Hebler, deceased, to fulfil a contract for the sale of lands made by the deceased with John Harden," without amendment.

The house adjourned to three o'clock P. M.

The house met.

Mr. Dunn, from the committee to whom was referred the petition of the New-Brunswick aqueduct company, reported,

That it is the opinion of the committee that the said company have leave to present a bill to answer the prayer of their petition.

By order of the committee,

GERSHOM DUNN.

Which report was read and agreed to; whereupon,

Mr. Dunn presented a bill, intitled, "An act incorporating an aqueduct company in the city of New-Brunswick;" which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

The members withdrew to attend a joint-meeting, and being returned, the speaker resumed the chair, and then

The house adjourned till to-morrow morning ten of the clock.

*Friday, February 27, 1801.*

The house met.

The engrossed bill, intitled, "An act to facilitate the com-

munication from Elizabeth-Town, in the county of Essex, through Morris-Town, in the county of Morris, and from thence into the county of Sussex," was read and compared;

On the question, Whether the same do pass? It was carried in the affirmative, as follows:

Yeas.	Yeas.	Nays.
Messrs. Burrowes,	Messrs. Mayhew,	Messrs. Blanch,
Clement,	Neilson,	Bowen,
Condict,	Pearson,	Clark,
Dey,	Sharp,	Gaston,
Dickerson,	Stillwell,	Gordon,
Dunn,	Stockton,	Haas,
Edgar,	VanCleve,	Howell,
Frelinghuysen,	Ward,	M'Eowen,
French,	Wyckoff.	Moss,
Harrison,		Parkhurst,
Keasbey,		Speer,
Leaming,		VanDuyne,
Lippencott,		Voorhies,
Lloyd,		Welsh.

Ordered, That the speaker do sign the same, and that the clerk do carry the said bill to the Council for concurrence.

The bill, intitled, "An act to alter and amend the act, intitled, "An act concerning inns and taverns," was read a second time and ordered a third reading.

The bill, intitled, "A supplement to the act for the better relief and employment of the poor of the county of Salem," was read a second time and ordered to be engrossed.

A petition from South-Brunswick, praying a law may pass to authorize the proprietor of a saw-mill there, to raise his pond, and keep it up from the middle of November till the middle of April, yearly, notwithstanding it may overflow his neighbors grounds, was read and committed to Messrs. Mayhew, Dey and Gaston.

The house resumed the consideration of the bill, intitled, "An act to encourage the keeping of sheep," and after some time spent thereon,

Ordered, That the said bill be dismissed.

The house adjourned to three o'clock P. M.

The house met.

The bill, intitled, "An act to prevent trespasses of cattle and horses on salt marshes and meadows," was read a second time and ordered to be engrossed.

Mr. Frelinghuysen, from the committee to whom was referred the bill, intitled, "A supplement to the act respecting slaves," reported the same, under the following title, "An act respecting the punishment of slaves;" which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

The re-engrossed bill, intitled, "An act to incorporate into a township a part of the townships of Fairfield and Maurice-River, in the county of Cumberland," was read and compared;

*Resolved*, That the same do pass.

*Ordered*, That the speaker do sign the same, and that the clerk do carry the said bill to the Council and acquaint them that the same is passed by this house with their amendments.

The bill, intitled, "An act to alter and amend the act, intitled, "An act concerning inns and taverns," was read a third time;

On the question, Whether the same do pass? It was carried in the affirmative, as follows:

Yea.	Yea.	Nay.
Messrs. Blanch,	Messrs. Lippencott,	Messrs. Clark,
Bowen,	Lloyd,	Condict,
Burrowes,	Mayhew,	Dickerson,
Clement,	M'Lowen,	Gaston,
Dey,	Mofs,	Parkhurst,
Dunn,	Neilson,	Speer,
Edgar,	Pearson,	Voorhies,
Frelinghuysen,	Sharp,	Welsh.
French,	Stillwell,	
Gordon,	Stockton,	
Haas,	VanCleve,	
Harrison,	VanDuyne,	
Howell,	Ward,	
Keatsbey,	Wyckoff.	
Leaming,		

*Ordered*, That the speaker do sign the said bill, and that the clerk do wait on the Council and acquaint them that the said bill is passed by this house without amendment.

A message from the Council, by Mr. Beatty, their secretary.

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have passed the bill, intitled, "An act for the relief of persons confined for debt," without amendment.

The petition from colonel Jonathan Forman, praying compensation for a horse which died in consequence of the injury he sustained in the service, on the western expedition, was read a second time with the papers accompanying the same.

A motion was made, that the said petition and papers be referred to a committee;

On the question, Whether the house agree thereto? It was carried in the negative; whereupon,

Mr. Stillwell, with leave, took the said petition and papers.

The report of Mr. Burrowes, of the 10th instant, on the memorial of Joseph Bloomfield, esquire, was read a second time and agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the said memorial be dismissed.

The house resumed the consideration of the report of Mr. Pearson, of the 13th of November last, being No. 5 of unfinished business reported to this sitting respecting the deficiencies of taxes;

On the question, Whether the house agree to the said report? It was carried in the negative, as follows:

Nays.	Nays.	Yea.
Messrs. Blanch,	Messrs. Leaming,	Messrs. Bowen,
Burrowes,	Lloyd,	French,
Clark,	Mayhew,	Lippencott,
Clement,	McEowen,	Neilson,
Condict,	Mofs,	Pearson,
Dey,	Parkhurst,	Stockton,
Dickerson,	Sharp,	VanDuyne,
Edgar,	Stillwell,	
Gaston,	Speer,	
Gordon,	VanCleve,	
Haas,	Voorhies,	
Howell,	Welsh,	
Keasbey,	Wyckoff.	

The house adjourned till to-morrow morning ten of the clock.

Saturday, February 28, 1801.

The house met.

The Senate of the United States having been notified by the President of the United States to meet at the city of Washington, on the fourth day of March next, and it appearing to the Legislature that a full representation of this state in that body would be necessary and proper,

*Resolved*, By the Council and General Assembly of this state, that Aaron Ogden, esquire, be requested forthwith to repair to the seat of government of the United States, to take his seat in the Senate on the fourth day of March next.

*Ordered*, That the clerk do carry the said resolution to the Council for concurrence.

The bill, intitled, "An act for the relief of Philip Vanarsdalen, Abraham Bertron, Gilbert A. Lane and others, the securities of John Hardenburgh, late sheriff of Somerset," was read a second time, and after some time spent thereon,

*Ordered*, That the further consideration thereof be postponed.

A message from the Council, by Mr. Beatty, their secretary.

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have passed the bill, intitled, "An act in respect to the record of the inferior court of common pleas in and for the county of Burlington, in certain cases," without amendment; and have concurred in the resolution requesting Aaron Ogden, esquire, to repair to the seat of the government of the United States, to take his seat in the Senate, on the fourth day of March next.

Mr. Wyckoff, from the committee to whom was referred the petition from Lambertton, of the 18th instant, respecting floating lumber, presented a bill, intitled, "An act for securing of property taken up adrift;" which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

A message from the Council, by Mr. Beatty, their secretary.

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have passed the bill, intitled, "An act to enable the owners and possessors of a certain tract or body of

meadow lying on the east side of Racoon-Creek, in the township of Woolwich and county of Gloucester, to keep up and maintain the dams, tide bank and other water works necessary to prevent the tide from overflowing the same, and to keep the water courses and drains open and clear," without amendment.

The bill, intitled, "An act respecting the punishment of slaves," was read a second time and ordered to be engrossed.

The engrossed bill, intitled, "An act to prevent trespasses of cattle and horses on salt marshes and meadows," was read and compared;

On the question, Whether the same do pass? It was carried in the affirmative, as follows:

Yea.	Yea.	Nays.
Messrs. Blanch,	Messrs. Stockton,	Messrs. Bowen,
Burrowes,	Speer,	Clement,
Clark,	VanCleve,	Frelinghuyzen,
Condict,	Welsh,	French,
Dey,	Wyckoff,	Gordon,
Edgar,	Speaker.	Keasbey,
Gaston,		Leaming,
Haas,		Lippencott,
Howell,		Mayhew,
Lloyd,		McEowen,
Neilson,		Moss,
Parkhurst,		Sharp,
Pearson,		VanDuyn,
Stillwell,		Voorhies.

*Ordered*, That that speaker do sign the bill, and that the clerk do carry the said bill to the Council for concurrence.

The house adjourned till Monday morning ten of the clock.

*Monday, March 2, 1801.*

The house met.

Mr. VanCleve, from the committee appointed for that purpose, presented a bill, intitled, "An act to defray incidental charges ;" which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

A representation from Henry Breese ; a representation and petition from Nathaniel Burt ; a memorial from Samuel Hind, and a memorial from doctor William Leddle, stating charges against George Boccover, one of the justices of the peace of the county of Morris, in the execution of his office, were severally read and committed to Messrs. Neilson, Parkhurst and Clement.

The bill, intitled, "An act to make further provision for working and repairing the highways," was read a second time and committed to Messrs. Voorhies, Dunn and Pearson.

A message from the Council, by Mr. Beatty, their secretary.

Mr. Speaker,

I am directed to lay before the Assembly, a bill, intitled, "An act to divorce Hannah Miller," and to request their concurrence therein.

Which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

The bill, intitled, "A supplement to the act, intitled, "An act respecting the court of chancery," was read a second time and committed to Messrs. Neilson, Condict and Frelinghuysen.

The bill, intitled, "An act to amend an act, intitled, "An act concerning conveyances," was read a second and ordered to be engrossed.

The bill, intitled, "A supplement to an act, intitled, "An act respecting suits for the recovery of monies due to the state," was read a second time and committed to Messrs. Leaming, Lloyd and Edgar.

The house adjourned to three o'clock P. M.

The house met.

Mr. Neilson, from the committee to whom was referred the bill, intitled, "An act further to regulate fees," reported the same with sundry amendments, which was read and the consideration thereof postponed.

The speaker laid before the house a letter from the treasurer, stating difficulty in the collection of the taxes due from the county of Morris, amounting to 13,694 dollars 26 cents in arrear and unpaid.

*Ordered,* That the said letter be committed to Messrs. Leaming, Lloyd and Edgar.

The engrossed bill, intitled, "An act respecting the punishment of slaves," was read and compared;

On the question, Whether the same do pass? It was carried in the affirmative, as follows:

Yea.	Yea.	Nays.
Messrs. Blanch,	Messrs. Lloyd,	Messrs. Bowen,
Burrowes,	McEwen,	Clement,
Clark,	Neilson,	Dickerfon,
Condict,	Parkhurst,	French,
Dey,	Stillwell,	Howell,
Dunn,	Speer,	Keasbey,
Edgar,	VanCleve,	Mayhew,
Frelinghuysen,	VanDyke,	Moss,
Gaston,	Voorhies,	Pearson,
Gordon,	Ward,	Sharp,
Haas,	Welsh,	Stockton.
Leaming,	Wyckoff.	

The engrossed bill, intitled, "A supplement to the act for the better relief and employment of the poor of the county of Salem," was read and compared;

*Resolved unanimously,* That the same do pass.

*Ordered,* That the speaker do sign the said bill, and that the clerk do carry the same to the Council for concurrence.

The bill, intitled, "An act to secure property found adrift," was read a second time and ordered to be engrossed.

The bill, intitled, "An act to divorce Hannah Miller," was read a second time and ordered a third reading.

The house adjourned till to-morrow morning ten of the clock.

*Tuesday, March 3, 1801.*

The house met.

Mr. Neilson, from the committee to whom was referred the bill, intitled, "A supplement to the act, intitled, "An act respecting the court of chancery," reported the same with sundry amendments; which bill was read and postponed.

Several petitions were presented to the house, praying that the laws of this state may be so altered respecting the fishing in the river Delaware, and the erection of eel-wares, as may make the same similar to the laws of Pennsylvania, on that subject, were read and committed to Messrs. VanCleve, Clement and Leaming.

Mr. Voorhies, from the committee to whom was referred the bill, intitled, "An act to make further provision for working and repairing the highways," reported the same with sundry amendments, and to add to the title the words, *and bridges*.

Which bill was read and after some time spent thereon,

*Ordered*, That the same be dismissed.

Mr. Mayhew, from the committee to whom was referred the petition of Matthew Rue and others of South-Brunswick, in the county of Middlesex, praying a law to enable the said Matthew Rue to keep up his dam as heretofore, to raise the water for the accommodation of a saw-mill, from the middle of November to the middle of April, yearly and every year, reported,

That they have enquired into the nature of the same, and are of opinion, that the prayer of the petitioners ought to be granted, and that the said Matthew Rue have leave to present a bill on the second Wednesday of the next sitting of the Legislature, to answer the prayer of said petition, previously advertising the purport of the same, in three of the most pub-

the places in the township where the said mill is situate, at least three weeks previous thereto.

By order of the committee,  
ELEAZER MAYHEW.

Which report was read and disagreed to.

*Ordered,* That the petition of the said Matthew Rue and others be dismissed.

The bill, intitled, "An act to divorce Hannah Miller," was read a third time;

On the question, Whether the same do pass? It was carried in the affirmative, as follows:

Yea.	Yea.	Nay.
Messrs. Blanch,	Messrs. Leaming,	Messrs. Keasbey,
Bowen,	Lippencott,	Mayhew,
Burrowes,	Lloyd,	Wyckoff.
Clark,	McEowen,	
Clement,	Moss,	
Condict,	Neilson,	
Dey,	Parkhurst,	
Dickerson,	Pearson,	
Dunn,	Sharp,	
Edgar,	Stockton,	
Frelinghuysen,	Speer,	
French,	VanCleve,	
Gaston,	VanDuyne,	
Gordon,	Voorhies,	
Haas,	Ward,	
Howell,	Weish.	

*Ordered,* That the speaker do sign the same, and that the clerk do wait on the Council and inform them that the said bill is passed by this house without amendment.

Mr. Neilson, from the committee to whom was referred the memorials and petitions of sundry persons against the conduct of George Boccover, a justice of the peace in the county of Morris, reported,

That in the opinion of your committee, the memorialists and petitioners should have leave to appear before the House of Assembly, on the first Thursday of the next session of the Legislature, with testimony more fully to explain and support

the charges alledged in their memorials and petitions against the said George Beccover, that the house may be the better enabled to judge of the propriety of bringing an impeachment against the said justice.

By order of the committee,  
JOHN NEILSON.

Which report was read and agreed to.

The house adjourned to three o'clock P. M.

The house met.

Mr. Leaming, from the committee to whom was referred the bill, intitled, "A supplement to an act, intitled, "An act respecting suits for the recovery of monies due to the state," reported the same with sundry amendments; which bill was read and the further consideration thereof postponed.

The house resumed the consideration of the bill, intitled, "An act further to regulate fees," and after having gone through the said bill,

*Ordered*, That the same be engrossed.

Mr. Leaming, from the committee to whom was referred the treasurer's letter of yesterday, presented a bill, intitled, "An act to enforce the collection of the arrearages of taxes due from the counties of Burlington and Morris;" which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

The engrossed bill, intitled, "An act to amend an act, intitled, "An act concerning conveyances," was read and compared;

On the question, Whether the same do pass? It was carried in the affirmative, as follows:

Yea.	Yea.	Yea.
Messrs. Bowen,	Messrs. Dunn,	Messrs. Howell,
Burrowes,	Edgar,	Keasbey,
Clark,	French,	Leaming,
Condict,	Gaston,	Lloyd,
Dey,	Gordon,	Lippencott,
Dickerson,	Haas,	Mayhew,

Yea.	Nays.	Nays.
Messrs. M' Eowen,	Messrs. Van Cleve,	Messrs. Blanch,
Neilson,	Van Duyn,	Moss.
Parkhurst,	Voorhies,	
Sharp,	Ward,	
Stillwell,	Welsh,	
Stockton,	Wyckoff.	
Speer,		

*Ordered*, That the speaker do sign the same, and that the clerk do carry the said bill to the Council for concurrence.

Mr. Edgar, from the committee to whom was referred the petition of sundry persons against the conduct of Jeremiah Smith, a justice of the peace of the county of Gloucester, and the affidavit of Daniel Shaw, with other charges against James Steelman, a justice of the peace in the county aforesaid, reported,

That in the opinion of your committee, the complainants should have leave to appear before the House of Assembly, on the second Tuesday of the next session of the Legislature, with testimony, more fully to explain and support the charges alledged in said petition and affidavit, against the said Jeremiah Smith and James Steelman, that the house may be the better enabled to judge of the propriety of bringing an impeachment against the said justices.

By order of the committee,

WILLIAM EDGAR.

Which report was read and agreed to.

The house resumed the consideration of the bill, intitled, "An act for the relief of Philip Vanarsdalen, Abraham Bertron, Gilbert A. Lane and others, the securities of John Hardenburgh, late sheriff of Somerset," and after having gone through the said bill,

*Ordered*, That the same be engrossed.

The house adjourned till to-morrow morning ten of the clock.

*Wednesday, March 4, 1801.*

The house met.

The engrossed bill, intitled, "An act further to regulate fees," was read and compared;

On the question, Whether the same do pass? It was carried in the affirmative, as follows:

Yea.	Yea.	Nay.
Messrs. Blanch,	Messrs. Mayhew,	Messrs. Bowen,
Burrowes,	M' Eowen,	Clement,
Clark,	Neilson,	Condict,
Dey,	Parkhurst,	Dickerson,
Edgar,	Pearson,	Dunn,
Frelinghuysen,	Stillwell,	French,
Gordon,	Stockton,	Gaston,
Haas,	Van Cleve,	Howell,
Keasbey,	Van Duyn,	Moss,
Leaming,	Ward,	Sharp,
Lippencott,	Welsh,	Speer,
Lloyd,	Wyckoff.	Voorhies.

*Ordered,* That the speaker do sign the same, and that the clerk do carry the said bill to the Council for concurrence.

Mr. Keasbey, from the committee to whom was referred the petition of Moses Hetfield, reported,

That they have examined the petition and papers to them referred, and are of opinion, that the prayer of the petitioner ought not to be granted.

By order of the committee,  
ANTHONY KEASBEY.

Which report was read and agreed to.

The engrossed bill, intitled, "An act for the relief of Philip Vanarsdale, Abraham Bertron, Gilbert A. Lane and others, the securities of John Hardenburgh, late sheriff of Somerset," was read and compared;

On the question, Whether the same do pass? It was carried in the affirmative, as follows:

Yeaſ.	Yeaſ.	Nayſ.
Meffrs. Blanch,	Meffrs. VanDuyn,	Meffrs. Clark,
Bowen,	Ward,	Clement,
Burrowes,	Welſh,	Condict,
Dey,	Wyckoff.	Dickerson,
Dunn,		French,
Edgar,		Gaston,
Frelinghuyſen,		Gordon,
Haas,		Keasbey,
Howell,		Leaming,
Lloyd,		Lippencott,
Mayhew,		Mofs,
M·Eowen,		Parkhurst,
Neilſon,		Pearſon,
Stillwell,		Sharp,
Speer,		Stockton,
VanCleve,		Voorhies.

*Ordered*, That the ſpeaker do ſign the ſaid bill, and that the clerk do carry the ſaid bill to the Council and request their concurrence therein.

The bill, intitled, “ An aſt to enforce the collection of arrearages of taxes due from the counties of Burlington and Morris,” was read a ſecond time, and after ſome time ſpent thereon,

*Ordered*, That the further conſideration thereof be poſtponed.

The house adjourned to three o’clock P. M.

The house met:

The engroſied bill, intitled, “ An aſt to ſecure property found adrift, and for other purpoſes,” was read and compared;

On the queſtion, Whether the ſame do paſs? It was carried in the negative, as follows:

Nayſ.	Nayſ.	Yeaſ.
Meffrs. Blanch,	Meffrs. Clement,	Meffrs. Dickerson,
Bowen,	Condict,	Dunn,
Clark,	Dey,	Edgar,

Nays.	Nays.	Yea.
Messrs. Frelinghuysen,	Messrs. Moss,	Messrs. Burrowes,
French,	Neilson,	Lippencott,
Gaston,	Parkhurst,	Pearson,
Gordon,	Sharp,	Stockton,
Haas,	Stillwell,	Wyckoff.
Howell,	VanCleve,	
Keasbey,	VanDuyn,	
Leaming,	Voorhies,	
Lloyd,	Ward,	
Mayhew,	Welsh.	
M' Eowen,		

*Ordered*, That the said bill be dismissed.

Mr. VanCleve, from the committee to whom was referred the petitions respecting the fishing in the Delaware, presented a bill, intitled, "An act to regulate the fisheries in the river Delaware;" which bill was read and referred to the next session.

The bill, intitled, "A supplement to the act, intitled, "An act respecting the court of chancery," was read a second time and referred to the next sitting.

On motion,

*Ordered*, That Messrs. VanCleve, Bowen and Haas, be a committee to examine and report what repairs will be necessary to have done to the government house and property.

The bill, intitled, "An act to defray sundry incidental charges," was read a second time and ordered to be engrossed.

The house adjourned till to-morrow morning ten of the clock.

*Thursday, March 5, 1801.*

The house met.

Mr. VanCleve, from the committee appointed to examine and report what repairs will be necessary to be made to the government house and property, reported,

That they have examined the same and are of opinion, that provision ought to be made to make the said repairs, an esti-

mate being made by a workman to answer the said purpose, amounting to forty pounds, the committee recommend an allowance to be made in the incidental bill, to the amount of one hundred dollars, to answer the purpose aforesaid.

By order of the committee,

BENJAMIN VANCLEVE.

Which report was read and agreed to as far as regards the appropriation.

*Ordered*, That Messrs. VanCleve, Bowen and Haas prepare and present a bill for the purposes.

A message from the Council, by Mr. Beatty, their secretary.

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have disagreed to the resolution of the Assembly, of the twentieth November past, respecting the procuring of artillery for this state.

Mr. Stockton, with leave, presented a bill, intitled, "An act designating the taxable property within the state of New-Jersey;" which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

Mr. VanCleve, from the committee appointed for that purpose, presented a bill, intitled, "An act to authorize the repairs of the government house;" which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

The house adjourned to three o'clock P. M.

The house met.

The bill, intitled, "An act designating the taxable property within the state of New-Jersey," was read a second time, and committed to Messrs. Condict, Gordon and Stockton.

The house resumed the consideration of the bill, intitled, "An act to enforce the collection of arrearages of taxes due from the counties of Burlington and Morris;" and after some time spent thereon,

*Ordered*, That the said bill be committed to Messrs. Neilson, Lloyd and Dickerson.

The house adjourned till to-morrow morning ten of the clock.

*Friday, March 6, 1801.*

The house met.

Mr. Neilson, from the committee to whom was referred the bill, intitled, "An act to enforce the collection of arrearages of taxes due from the counties of Burlington and Morris," reported the same with sundry amendments, and to add to the title the words, *and for other purposes*; which bill was read, and being further amended, was ordered to be engrossed.

Mr. Condict, from the committee to whom was referred the bill, intitled, "An act designating the taxable property within the state of New-Jersey," reported the same with sundry amendments, which was read and ordered to be engrossed.

A message from the Council, by Mr. Beatty, their secretary.

Mr. Speaker,

I am directed to lay before the Assembly, a bill, intitled, "An act supplementary to the act authorizing the governor of this state to purchase field artillery," passed the 21st February, 1799, and request their concurrence therein:

Which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

Mr. Pearson, with leave, presented a bill, intitled, "An act to secure property found drifting on the river Delaware, or on any creek or river emptying into the same, and for other purposes;" which bill was read and referred to the next sitting.

The bill, intitled "An act to authorize the repairs of the government house," was read a second time and ordered to be engrossed.

The house adjourned to three o'clock P. M.

The house met.

The bill, intitled, "An act supplementary to the act authorizing the governor of this state to purchase field artillery," passed the 21st of February, 1799, was read a second time and ordered a third reading.

The engrossed bill, intitled, "An act to authorize the repairs of the government house," was read and compared?

On the question, Whether the same do pass? It was carried in the affirmative, as follows:

Yea.	Yea.	Nay.
Messrs. Blanch,	Messrs. Lippencott,	Messrs. Clark,
Bowen,	Lloyd,	Dickerson,
Burrowes,	McEowen,	Gaston,
Clement,	Moss,	Howell,
Dey,	Neilson,	Parkhurst,
Edgar,	Pearson,	Sharp,
French,	Stillwell,	Speer,
Gordon,	Stockton,	Welsh.
Haas,	VanCleve,	
Harrison,	VanDuyn,	
Keasbey,	Ward,	
Leaming,	Wyckoff.	

The engrossed bill, intitled, "An act to defray sundry incidental charges," was read and compared;

On the question, Whether the same do pass? It was carried in the affirmative, as follows:

Yea.	Yea.	Nay.
Messrs. Blanch,	Messrs. Keasbey,	Messrs. Clark,
Bowen,	Leaming,	Howell,
Burrowes,	Lippencott,	Parkhurst,
Clement,	Lloyd,	Speer,
Condict,	McEowen,	VanCleve,
Dey,	Moss,	VanDuyn.
Dickerson,	Neilson,	
Dunn,	Pearson,	
Edgar,	Sharp,	
Frelinghuyzen,	Stillwell,	
French,	Stockton,	
Gaston,	Voorhies,	
Gordon,	Ward,	
Haas,	Welsh,	
Harrison,	Wyckoff.	

Ordered, That the speaker do sign the said bills, and that the clerk do carry the same to the Council for concurrence.

A message from the Council, by Mr. Beatty, their secretary.

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have passed the bill, intitled, "An act further to regulate fees," with sundry amendments; which bill he presented with the amendments, and to which amendments he requested the concurrence of this house.

The said bill and amendments were read.

*Resolved*, That this house agree to the 1st, 2d and 5th amendments made to the said bill, and in other respects do adhere to their bill.

*Ordered*, That the clerk do wait on the Council and acquaint them therewith.

The house resumed the consideration of the bill, intitled, "A supplement to an act, intitled, "An act respecting suits for the recovery of monies due to the state," and after some time spent thereon,

*Ordered*, That the said bill be again committed and that the committee be Messrs. Frelinghuyzen, Gordon and Sharp.

A message from the Council, by Mr. Beatty, their secretary.

Mr. Speaker,

The Council do insist upon their 3d and 4th amendments made to the bill, intitled, "An act further to regulate fees," which were disagreed to by the House of Assembly.

The house adjourned till to-morrow morning ten of the clock.

*Saturday, March 7, 1801.*

The house met.

The engrossed bill, intitled, "An act designating the taxable property within the state of New-Jersey," was read and compared;

On the question, Whether the same do pass? It was carried in the affirmative, as follows:

Yeaſ.	Yeaſ.	Nayſ.
Meffrs. Blanch,	Meffrs. Lloyd,	Meffrs. Burrowes,
Bowen,	Mofs,	Clark,
Clement,	Neilſon,	Frelinghuſen,
Condict,	Parkhurst,	Gaston,
Dey,	Pearſon,	Haas,
Dickerson,	Sharp,	Howell,
Edgar,	Stillwell,	M'Eowen,
French,	Stockton,	VanCleve,
Gordon,	Speer,	VanDuyn,
Harrison,	Voorhies,	Wyckoff.
Keasbey,	Ward,	
Leaming,	Welſh.	
Lippencott,		

The engrossed bill, intitled, "An act to enforce the collection of arrearages of taxes due from the counties of Burlington and Morris, and for other purposes," was read and compared;

On the question, Whether the same do pass? It was carried in the affirmative, as follows:

Yeaſ.	Yeaſ.	Nayſ.
Meffrs. Blanch,	Meffrs. Keasbey,	Meffrs. Condict,
Bowen,	Leaming,	Lippencott,
Burrowes,	Lloyd,	Pearſon,
Clark,	M'Eowen,	Stockton,
Clement,	Mofs,	Voorhies,
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Dickerson,	Parkhurst,	
Edgar,	Sharp,	
Frelinghuſen,	Stillwell,	
French,	Speer,	
Gaston,	VanCleve,	
Gordon,	VanDuyn,	
Haas,	Ward,	
Harrison,	Wyckoff.	
Howell,		

*Ordered*, That that speaker do sign the same, and that the clerk do carry the laid bill to the Council for concurrence.

The bill, intitled, "An act supplementary to the act authorizing the governor of this state to purchase field artillery," passed the 21st of February, 1799, was read a third time;

*Resolved unanimously,* That the same do pass.

*Ordered,* That the speaker do sign the same, and that the clerk do wait on the Council and acquaint them that the same is passed by this house without amendment.

A message from the Council, by Mr. Beatty, their secretary.

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have passed the bill, intitled, "A supplement to the act for the better relief and employment of the poor of the county of Salem," without amendment.

The Council have passed the bill, intitled, "An act respecting the punishment of slaves," with sundry amendments; which bill, as amended, he presented, and to which amendments he requested the concurrence of this house.

Which bill, as amended, was read, the amendments agreed to and the bill ordered to be re-engrossed.

Mr. Parkhurst, with leave, presented a bill, intitled, "A supplement to an act, intitled, "An act for building bridges over the rivers Passaic and Hackensack, and for other purposes therein mentioned;" which bill was read and ordered a second reading on the first Monday of the next sitting, and that the applicants do advertise the purport of the said bill at least three weeks previous thereto in the Elizabeth-Town and Newark papers.

Mr. Frelinghuysen, from the committee to whom was referred the bill, intitled, "A supplement to an act, intitled, "An act respecting suits for the recovery of monies due to the state," reported the same with sundry amendments; which was read and the consideration thereof postponed.

The house adjourned to three o'clock P. M.

The house met.

The re-engrossed bill, intitled, "A supplement to the act intitled, "An act for the punishment of crimes," passed March 18, 1796, was read and compared;

On the question, Whether the same do pass? It was carried in the affirmative, as follows:

Yea.	Yea.	Nays.
Messrs. Blanch,	Messrs. Leaming,	Messrs. Bowen,
Burrowes,	Lloyd,	Clement,
Clark,	Neilson,	French,
Condict,	Parkhurst,	Harrison,
Dey,	Speer,	Howell,
Dickerson,	VanCleve,	Keasbey,
Edgar,	VanDuyn,	Lippencott,
Frelinghuyzen,	Voorhies,	Moss,
Gaston,	Ward,	Pearson,
Gordon,	Weish,	Sharp,
Haas,	Wyckoff.	Stockton.

*Ordered*, That the speaker do sign the said bill, and that the clerk do carry back the said bill to the Council, and acquaint them that the same is passed by this house with their amendments.

A message from the Council, by Mr. Beatty, their secretary.  
Mr. Speaker,

The Council have passed the bill, intitled, "An act to authorize the repairs of the government house," without amendment; they have also passed the bill, intitled, "An act for the relief of Philip Vanarsdal, Abraham Bertron, Gilbert A. Lane and others, securities of John Hardenburgh, late sheriff of Somerset," without amendment.

Mr. Beatty also informed the house, that Council have disagreed to the bill, intitled, "An act to prevent trespasses of cattle and horses on salt marshes and meadows."

Mr. Beatty laid before this house the bill, intitled, "An act to facilitate the communication from Elizabeth-Town, in the county of Essex, through Morris-Town, in the county of Morris, and from thence into the county of Sussex," with amendments made thereto by the Council; to which amendments he requested the concurrence of this house.

Which bill, as amended, was read, the amendments agreed to, and the bill ordered to be re-engrossed.

The house adjourned till Monday morning nine of the clock.

*Monday, March 9, 1801.*

The house met.

A message from the Council, by Mr. Beatty, their secretary.

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have disagreed to the bill, intitled, "An act to defray sundry incidental charges."

Mr. VanCleve, with leave, presented a bill, intitled, "An act for defraying sundry incidental charges ;" which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

The re-engrossed bill, intitled, "An act to facilitate the communication from Elizabeth-Town, in the county of Essex, through Morris-Town, in the county of Morris, and from thence into the county of Sussex," was read and compared ;

On the question, Whether the same do pass ? It was carried in the affirmative, as follows :

Yeas.	Yeas.	Nays.
Messrs. Blanch,	Messrs. Lippencott,	Messrs. Clark,
Bowen,	Lloyd,	Gordon,
Burrowes,	M' Eowen,	Howell,
Clement,	Moss,	Parkhurst,
Condict,	Neilson,	Speer,
Dey,	Pearson,	Voorhies.
Dickerson,	Sharp,	
Dunn,	Stillwell,	
Frelinghuysen,	Stockton,	
French,	VanCleve,	
Gaston,	Ward,	
Haas,	Welsh,	
Harrison,	Wyckoff.	
Keatsbey,		

*Ordered,* That the speaker do sign the same, and that the clerk do wait on the Council and acquaint them that the said bill is passed by this house with their amendments.

The bill, intitled, "An act for defraying sundry incidental charges," was read a second time and ordered to be engrossed.

The engrossed bill, intitled, "An act for defraying sundry incidental charges," was read and compared;

On the question, Whether the same do pass? It was carried in the affirmative, as follows:

Yea.	Yeas.	Nays.
Messrs. Blanch,	Lippencott,	Messrs. Condit,
Bowen,	Lloyd,	Howell,
Burrowes,	McEowen,	Ward.
Clement,	Moss,	
Dey,	Neilson,	
Dickerson,	Parkhurst,	
Dunn,	Pearson,	
Frelinghuysen,	Sharp,	
French,	Stillwell,	
Gaston,	Stockton,	
Gordon,	Speer,	
Haas,	VanCleve,	
Harrison,	Welsh,	
Keasbey,	Wyckoff.	

*Ordered*, That the speaker do sign the said bill, and that the clerk do carry the same to the Council and request their concurrence therein.

A message from the Council, by Mr. Beatty, their secretary.

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have passed the bill, intitled, "An act designating the taxable property within the state of New-Jersey," the bill, intitled, "An act to enforce the collection of arrearages of taxes due from the counties of Burlington and Morris, and for other purposes," and the bill, intitled, "An act for defraying sundry incidental charges," without amendment.

The house rose without day.

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OF THE  
TWENTY-SIXTH  
GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
OF THE  
S T A T E  
OF  
NEW-JERSEY.

At a session begun at Trenton, on the twenty-seventh Day of October, One Thousand Eight Hundred and One,  
and continued by Adjournments.

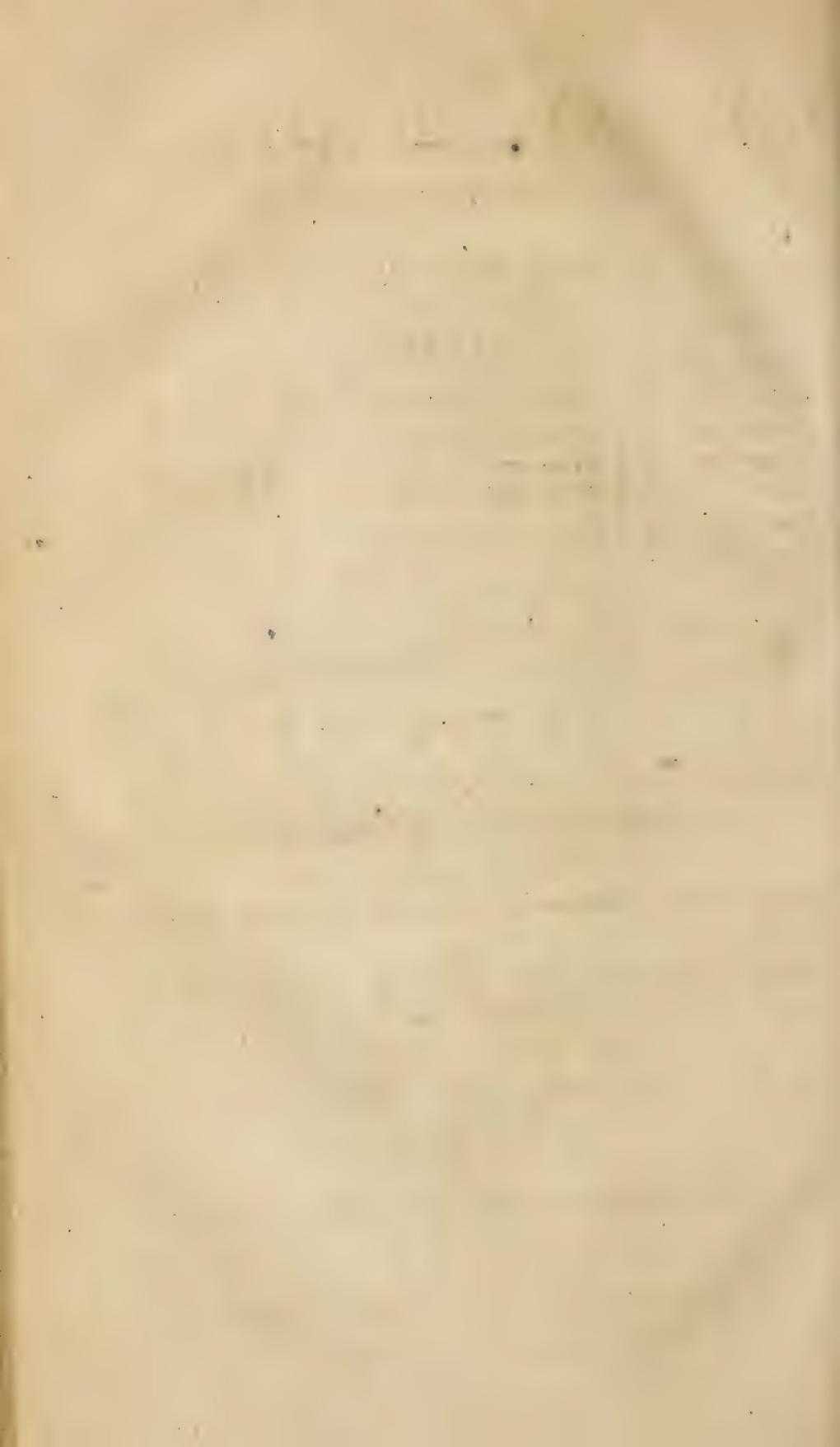
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*List of Persons returned as Members of  
the Legislative-Council.*

<i>Bergen,</i>	John Outwater,
<i>Essex,</i>	Charles Clark,
<i>Middlesex,</i>	Ephraim Martin,
<i>Monmouth,</i>	Thomas Little,
<i>Somerset,</i>	Peter D. Vroom,
<i>Burlington,</i>	George Anderson,
<i>Gloucester,</i>	Thomas Clark,
<i>Salem,</i>	William Parrot,
<i>Cape-May,</i>	Ebenezer Newton,
<i>Hunterdon,</i>	John Lambert, <i>v. p.</i>
<i>Morris,</i>	David Welsh,
<i>Cumberland,</i>	David Moore,
<i>Suffex,</i>	William M'Cullough,

Esquires.

*List of Persons returned as Members of  
the General Assembly.*

BERGEN.

Peter Ward, Thomas Blanch, and John Dey, Esqrs.

ESSEX.

Jabez Parkhurst, Amos Harrison, and Ralph Post,  
Esquires.

MIDDLESEX.

Gershom Dunn, John Neilson, and Erkuries Beatty,  
Esquires.

MONMOUTH.

James Cox, Peter Knott, and John A. Scudder,  
Esquires.

SOMERSET.

James Van Duyn, William M'Eowen, and Frederick Frelinghuysen, Esquires.

## BURLINGTON.

William Coxe, Job Lippincott, William Pearson,  
and John Lacey, Esquires.

## GLOUCESTER.

Samuel W. Harrison, Samuel French, and Isaac  
Mickle, Esquires.

## SALEM.

Edward Burroughs, Artis Seagrave, and Merryman  
Smith, Esquires.

## CAPE-MAY.

Abijah Smith, Esquire.

## HUNTERDON.

John Haas, Joseph Hankinson, Nathan Stout, and  
Peter Gordon, Esquires.

## MORRIS.

Aaron Kitchel, and William Corwin, Esquires.

## CUMBERLAND.

George Burgin, and Azel Pierson, Esquires.

## SUSSEX.

Silas Dickerson, *Speaker*, Levi Howell, John Linn,  
and Abraham Shaver, Esquires.

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*Trenton, October 27, 1801.*

THIS being the time and place appointed by law  
for the first meeting of the General Assembly,  
the following persons, to wit, Thomas Blanch and  
John Dey, two of the representatives of the county  
of Bergen ; Jabez Parkhurst, Amos Harrison and  
Ralph Post, as representatives for the county of  
Essex ; John Neilson, Gershom Dunn and Erkuries  
Beatty, as representatives for the county of Mid-  
dlesex ; James Cox, Peter Knott and John A.  
Scudder, as representatives for the county of Mon-  
mouth ; James Van Duyn, William M'Eowen and  
Frederick Frelinghuyzen, as representatives for the  
county of Somerset ; William Coxe, William Pear-  
son, Job Lippincott, and John Lacey, as represent-  
atives for the county of Burlington ; Samuel W.  
Harrison, Samuel French, and Isaac Mickle, as re-

representatives for the county of Gloucester ; Artis Seagrave, Merryman Smith and Edward Burroughs, as representatives for the county of Salem ; Abijah Smith, as a representative for the county of Cape-May ; Nathan Stout, Peter Gordon, Joseph Hankinson and John Haas, as representatives for the county of Hunterdon ; Aaron Kitchel and William Corwin, as two of the representatives for the county of Morris ; George Burgin, and Azel Peirson, as representatives for the county of Cumberland ; Silas Dickerson, John Linn, Abraham Shaver and Levi Howell, as representatives for the county of Sussex, attended, and produced the respective certificates of their election, which were read, approved, and ordered to be filed : Whereupon, Peter Gordon, Esq. was appointed agreeably to the Constitution to qualify John Neilson, Esq. who being duly sworn, took his seat, and the remaining members, being qualified by the said John Neilson, took their seats in the House.

The members proceeded to the appointment of a Speaker, when the Hon. Silas Dickerson was chosen, and took the chair.

The House proceeded to the election of a Clerk ; when Maskell Ewing was unanimously chosen.

Maskell Ewing attended, and having taken the oath of allegiance, and an oath for the faithful discharge of his office, took his seat in the House.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do wait on the Council and acquaint them, that this House have met, and elected the Hon. Silas Dickerson their Speaker, Maskell Ewing their Clerk, and proceeded to business.

*Resolved*, That David Wrighter be door-keeper to this House during the present Session.

*Ordered*, That Messrs. Pearson, Neilson and Kitch-

el, be a committee to bring forward a draught of rules and regulations for the government of this House.

*Ordered,* That Messrs. Coxe, Parkhurst and Gordon, be a committee to examine the minutes of the last sitting, and report the business that was referred or remains unfinished.

A Message from Council, by Mr. Beatty, their Secretary.

Mr. Speaker,

A sufficient number of members of Council have this day met, elected the Hon. John Lambert, Esq. Vice-Prefident, John Beatty their Secretary, and proceeded to business.

The House adjourned till to-morrow morning ten of the clock.

*Wednesday, October 28, 1801.*

The House met.

Peter Ward, Esq. returned as one of the Representatives for the county of Bergen, appeared in the House, and produced the certificate of his election, which was read and approved, and ordered to be filed : Whereupon, being duly qualified by the Speaker, he took his seat in the House.

A Message from the Council, by Mr. Beatty, their Secretary.

His Excellency, the Governor, having laid before the Council a duplicate return of the late election held in and for the county of Morris, for members of the General Assembly, whereby it appears, that two members only are returned as duly elected, and Jonathan Ogden and Jesse Upson, two other candidates at the said election, sustained an equal number of votes.

*Ordered,* That the secretary do wait on the House of Assembly and deliver the speaker of that house the said return, that they may take such measures thereon as to them shall seem proper.

*Ordered,* That the same be committed to Messrs. Dunn, Shaver and Hankinson.

Mr. W. Pearson, from the committee appointed for that purpose, brought in a draught of rules and regulations to be observed by the House of Assembly, which, being read, were agreed to.

*Ordered,* That the usual number of copies be printed for the use of the members.

On motion,

*Resolved,* That, in printing of bills, resolutions and other current business of the house, the clerk be directed to employ Messrs. Mann & Wilson, and Messrs. Sherman and co. printers, to execute the same, dividing the business as equal as may be practicable between them.

A petition from sundry inhabitants of the township of Chester, in the county of Burlington, praying an explanation of the law, intitled "An act, to enable the owners of the tide swamps and marshes to improve the same, and owners of meadows already banked in, and held by different persons, to keep the same in good repair," was read, and ordered a second reading on the second Friday of this sitting.

A petition from the officers of the Essex militia, praying an amendment to the militia law; and that fines for non-attendance on military duty may be increased, was read, and committed to Messrs. Frelinghuysen, Howell and Ward.

Mr. W. Coxe, from the committee appointed for that purpose, presented a list of unfinished business before the General Assembly in March 1801.

No. 1. Petitions for a law to authorize the making a turnpike road from Newark to the river Delaware.

2. The bill intitled "an act making compensation for highways."

3. The bill intitled "An act incorporating an Aqueduct Company, in the city of New-Brunswick"—and,

4. The bill intitled "A supplement to an Act intitled An act for building bridges over the rivers Passaic and Hackensack, and for other purposes therein mentioned," were severally ordered a second reading.

No. 5. The bill intitled "A supplement to the Act intitled An act respecting the court of chancery."

6. The bill intitled "An act to secure the property found drifting in the river Delaware, or on any creek or river emptying into the same, and for other purposes."

7. The bill intitled "An act to regulate the fisheries in the river Delaware," were severally referred to the next session.

8. The resolution by the house of delegates of the State of Maryland, proposing an amendment to the constitution of the United States, that the electors of the President of the United States, should be elected by the people in districts, &c. was ordered a second reading.

9. The bill, intitled, "A Supplement to an Act intitled "An act respecting suits for the recovery of monies due to the State," postponed.

10. The bill, intitled, "An act relative to courts martial and courts of enquiry" was postponed.

No. 11. Charges against George Boccover, Esq. of the county of Morris, were ordered to be heard on the first Thursday of the next session.

12. The report of Mr. Edgar, on the complaint against Jeremiah Smith and James Steelman, Esqrs. Justices of Gloucester county,

*Ordered*, That the parties be heard thereon, the second Tuesday of the next fitting.

The paper therein referred to No. 2. was read and committed to Messrs. Corwin, Beatty and Stout.

No. 9. Was read and ordered a second reading.

No. 10. Was read and ordered a second reading.

The further consideration of the other papers referred to, in the said report was postponed.

The house adjourned to three o'clock P. M.

The house met.

*Ordered*, That Messrs. Seagrave, French and Scudder, be a committee on the part of this house, to join a committee of council, to settle the accounts of Robert Stockton and Christopher Longstreet commissioners appointed to repair the Post Road across Rocky Hill, and that the clerk do wait on the Council and request them to appoint a committee to join the committee of this house for that purpose.

*Ordered*, That Messrs. Kitchel, Mickel, Neilson, Linn and Burroughs, or any three of them, be a committee to join a committee of Council, to settle the accounts of the treasurer, and that the clerk to wait on the Council and request them to appoint a committee to join a committee of this house for that purpose.

Petitions were read from persons, confined for

debt in the different Gaols of this State, and committed to Messrs. Blanch, A. Harrison and Van Duyn.

A Message from the Council by Mr. Beatty their secretary.

Mr. Speaker,

Messrs. Outwater and Welsh, or either of them, are appointed a committee on the part of Council to join the committee of the House of Assembly, for the purpose of settling the accounts of Robert Stockton and Christopher Longstreet Commissioners, appointed to repair the post road leading across Rocky Hill.

*Ordered*, That Messrs. Dey, Parkhurst, Dunn, J. Cox, Frelinghuysen, Lacey, S. Harrison, Seagrave, A. Smith, Haas, Kitchel, Birg, n. and Linn, be appointed a committee to report a bill for raising a tax for the support of government.

*Ordered*, That Messrs. Gordon, A. Pearson, M. Smith, Lippincott and Dey, or any three of them, be a committee to join a committee of Council to examine and settle the accounts relative to the State Prison, and that the clerk do wait on the Council, and request them to appoint a committee to join the committee of this house, for that purpose.

A message from Council, by Mr. Beatty, their secretary.

Mr. Speaker,

Mr. Anderson and Mr. D. Vroom, or either of them, are appointed a committee on the part of Council, to join a committee of the house of Assembly, for the purpose of settling the accounts of the treasurer.

The house adjourned till to-morrow morning ten of the clock.

*Thursday, October 29, 1801.*

The house met.

Mr. Dunn from the committee to whom was referred a message from the council, and papers accompanying the same, respecting the election of Morris county, presented a bill, intitled, "A supplement to an act, intiled, an act to regulate the election of members of the Legislative Council and General Assembly, Sheriffs and Coroners of this State," which bill, was read, and ordered a second reading.

A petition from Roxbury, in the county of Morris, praying that the law, laying a tax on dogs may be so altered, as to leave to the pleasure of the town-meetings, to determine whether they will tax Dogs, was read, and committed to Messrs. Blanch, Knott and Post.

A petition from Little-Egg-Harbour, in the county of Burlington, respecting the quoto of taxes of the county of Burlington, was read, and committed to Messrs. Haas, Dunn and Van Duyn.

A petition from the Trustees of the Springfield Academy, in Essex county, praying the benefit of raising six hundred dollars by a lottery, was read, and committed to Messrs. Ward, Post and J. Cox.

A message from Council, by Mr. Beatty, their secretary.

Mr. Speaker,

Mr. D. Vroom and Mr. Parret, or either of them, are appointed a committee on the part of Council, for the purpose of joining the committee of the Assembly, to examine and settle the accounts relative to the State Prison.

*Ordered,* That Messrs. Lacey, Scudder and French

be a committee to examine and correct the minutes of the house.

Mr. Seagrave from the committee, appointed to join a committee of Council, to settle the accounts of Robert Stockton and Christopher Longstreet, commissioners, appointed by the Legislature to repair the post road across Rocky Hill, having examined their accounts, and the vouchers accompanying the same, do find they have expended, together with their commissions, the sum of one hundred and ninety-nine pounds nineteen shillings and nine pence, leaving three pence, due the State.

By order of the committee,

ARTIS SEAGRAVE,  
JOHN OUTWATER.

*Ordered*, That the said report, account and vouchers, do lie on the table.

A petition from Essex county, praying that the owners of land may be compensated therefor, by the public, when their lands are taken from them for highways, was read and committed to Messrs. Corwin, Beatty and Stout.

The bill, intitled, "A supplement to an act, intitled, An act to regulate the election of Members of the Legislative Council and General Assembly, Sheriffs and Coroners of this State," was read and ordered to be engrossed.

The house adjourned to three o'clock P. M.

The house met.

The engrossed bill, intitled, "A supplement to an act, intitled, "An act to regulate the election of members of the Legislative Council and General Assembly, Sheriffs, and Coroners of this State," was read and compared;

On the question whether the same do pass ? It was carried in the affirmative as follows :

Yeas.	Yeas.	Nays.
Messrs. Beatty,	Messrs. Linn,	Mr. Burgin.
Blanch,	Lippincott,	
Burroughs,	M'Eowen,	
Corwin,	Mickle,	
J. Cox,	Nielson,	
W. Coxe,	Parkhurst,	
Dey,	A. Pierson,	
Dunn,	W. Pearson,	
Frelinghuysen,	Post,	
French,	Scudder,	
Gordon,	Seagrave,	
Haas,	Shayer,	
Hankinson,	A. Smith,	
A. Harrison,	M. Smith,	
S. Harrison,	Stout,	
Howell,	Van Duyn,	
Kitchel,	Ward,	
Knott,	Lacey,	

*Ordered*, That the Speaker do sign the same, and that the clerk carry the said bill to the Council, for concurrence.

*Ordered*, That Messrs. Parkhurst, M'Eowen and Burgin, be a committee on the part of this house, to join a committee of Council, to enquire what sums of money have been drawn from the treasury, by virtue of an act, to authorize the governor of this state, to purchase field artillery, and what progress has been made in procuring the same, and report thereon to the house, and that the clerk do wait on the Council and request them to appoint a committee, to join the committee of this house for that purpose.

Mr. Ward, from the committee to whom was referred the petition of the Trustees of the Springfield Academy, of the county of Essex, reported,

That they have taken said petition into consideration, and are of opinion, that the prayer thereof ought not to be granted.

By order of the committee,  
PETER WARD.

Which report was read and agreed to.

*Ordered*, That Messrs. Dey, A. Harrison and A. Pearson, be a committee to enquire, what sums of money have been drawn from the treasury, for making the necessary repairs to the house and lott, now occupied by the Governor, and also to enquire into, and report on the propriety of selling the same.

A petition from the counties of Essex, Morris, and Sussex, praying that the turnpike company, who were authorized to turnpike a road through the said counties, may not be allowed to turnpike the same, unless the old road be kept open, was read and committed to Messrs. Frelinghuyzen S. Harrison and Knott.

The house adjourned till to-morrow morning ten of the clock.

*Friday, October 30, 1801.*

The house met.

A message from the Council, by Mr. Beatty, their Secretary.

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have appointed Mr. Newton and Mr. Parrot, or either of them, a committee of the House of Assembly, for the purpose of enquiring what sums of money have been drawn from the treasury by virtue of the act to authorize the governor of this State, to purchase Field Artillery, and what progress has been made in procuring the same.

The report of Mr. Seagrave of yesterday, on the accounts of Robert Stockton and Christopher Longstreet was taken up and agreed to.

Mr. Frelinghuyfen, from the committee to whom was referred the petition, from sundry inhabitants of the counties of Sussex, Morris and Essex, praying that a supplement may be added to the law, incorporating the Morris turnpike company, allowing the free use of the road as it now stands, reported as follows :

That they have taken into their consideration, the Act, incorporating said company, passed the 9th day of March, 1801, and are of opinion, that the interference of the Legislature is unnecessary, and would be improper.

By order of the committee,  
FREDERICK FRELINGHUYSEN.

Which report was read, and ordered a second reading.

Mr. Haas, from the committee to whom was referred the petition of Ebenezer Tucker, presiding officer of the township of Little-Egg-Harbor, in behalf of the inhabitants thereof reported as follows :

That in their opinion the petitioners ought to have leave to present a bill to answer the prayer of their petition.

By order of the committee,  
JOHN HAAS.

Which report was read and ordered a second reading.

*Ordered*, That the clerk do wait on the Council, and inform them that this house is ready to go into a joint meeting, to appoint a governor and other officers of the state, and request that council will appoint the time and place of meeting.

The house adjourned to 3 o'clock P. M.

The house met.

A message from the Council by Mr. Beatty their secretary.

Mr. Speaker,

The Council will be ready to go into a joint-meeting to-morrow morning, at eleven o'clock, in the Assembly room, for the purpose of appointing a governor, and other officers of the state.

The report of Mr. Haas, of this morning, was read a second time, and re-committed to the committee who made the same, with the petition on which the report was founded.

A petition from the townships of Northampton, Evesham and Little-Egg-Harbour, in the county of Burlington, praying that a new township may be set off from the southerly part of the townships of Northampton and Evesham, and the westerly part of the township of Little-Egg-Harbour, in the said county, was read.

*Ordered*, That the petitioners have leave to present a bill on the second Wednesday of the next sitting, the petitioners previously advertising the purport of the bill they mean to present, with a copy of this order, for three weeks, in three of the most public places in each of the said townships.

The report of Mr. Frelinghuysen, of this morning, respecting the Morris turnpike road, was read a second time, and agreed to.

The bill, intitled "A supplement to an act, entitled an act respecting suits for the recovery of monies due to the state," was read a second time, and dismissed.

*Ordered*, That the committee appointed to take into consideration the petition from the militia of the county of Essex, be instructed to enquire

what alterations, if any, are necessary in the militia law, and that Messrs. Lacey and Beatty, be added to that committee.

Mr. Burgin, from the joint committee of Council and Assembly, appointed to enquire what sums of money have been drawn from the treasury, by virtue of an act to authorize the governor of this state to purchase field artillery, and what progress has been made in procuring the same, reported as follows :

That they find, by examining the treasurer's books, that the whole sum granted by law for that purpose, to wit, two thousand pounds, has been drawn from the treasury, by governor Howell, in the months of April and July, 1799 ; that he (the governor) alledges it to be out of his power to inform the committee what part of the aforesaid sum is expended, or what is the value of the materials for casting cannon purchased by him, and now on hand, as his accounts and papers respecting the same, are lodged at the foundary, in the county of Burlington, and in Philadelphia with his agents ; and, in consequence of indisposition, it is not in his power at present, to obtain and adjust his said accounts. The committee beg leave to refer the legislature to the governor's letter, and other papers accompanying this report, for further information on the subject.

WILLIAM PARROT,  
EBENEZER NEWTON,  
WILLIAM M'EOWEN,  
GEORGE BURGIN.

Which report was read, and ordered a second reading.

The house adjourned till to-morrow morning ten of the clock.

*Saturday, October 31, 1801.*

The House met.

*Ordered,* That Messrs. Lippincott, Mickle and M' Eowen, be a committee to examine the act respecting coroners, and report by bill, or otherwise, whether any, and if any, what alteration is necessary in said act.

The bill, intitled "A supplement to the act, intitled "An act respecting the courts of chancery,"" was read, and ordered a second reading.

Mr. Haas, from the committee to whom was re-committed the petition of Ebenezer Tucker, presiding officer of the township of Little-Egg-Harbour, on behalf of the inhabitants thereof, reported,

That by an act of the legislature, passed at Burlington the 12th of November, 1790, the board of justices and freeholders of the county of Burlington, were authorized and required to pass to the credit of the township aforesaid, the sum of five hundred and seventy five pounds and three pence, state money, and five hundred and eighty pounds thirteen shillings and seven pence specie, and to assess the aforesaid sums on the inhabitants of the remaining townships of the county aforesaid, and to pay the same into the treasury of this state, on or before the 20th day of December, 1792, which law the townships aforesaid have not complied with, and the sums aforesaid are still due to the state.

Your committee also further report, that an act passed the legislature in March, 1801, to enforce the collection of arrearages of taxes in the counties of Morris and Burlington, and by the fourth section of which law, and contrary to the spirit thereof, on the 7th of September last, a majority of the assessors composing the board of the county of Bur-

lington, voted the whole of the said arrearages of taxes due from the county of Burlington, on the township aforesaid, which had been taken off by the act of 1790, which is still in force, inasmuch then as the act of 1790 is still in force, and as said assessors have unlawfully saddled the township aforesaid with the aforesaid arrearages of taxes, amounting in specie to 2059 dollars and 6 cents. It is the opinion of your committee, that the petitioners ought to have leave to present a bill to answer the prayer of their petition.

By order of the committee,

JOHN HAAS.

Which report was read, and ordered a second reading.

The members withdrew to attend a joint-meeting, and being returned, the speaker resumed the chair, and the house adjourned till Monday morning ten of the clock.

*Monday, November 2, 1801.*

The house met.

A petition from James Christie and others, stating demands against forfeited estates, was read, and committed to Messrs. Corwin, Van Duyn, and W. Pearson.

A petition from the widow of captain Cornelius Hennion, stating that her husband was allowed a pension from the state for the maintenance of himself and family, in consequence of his having been wounded in the service during the revolutionary war—that he died lately, and praying that the state would make some provision to aid her in the bringing up of his children, was read, and committed to Messrs. Linn, Hankinson, and Burroughs.

*Ordered*, That Messrs. Burgin, M'Eowen and Stout, be a committee to prepare and present a bill for defraying incidental charges.

The bill, No. 4, on the list of unfinished business, entitled "A supplement to an act, entitled an act or building bridges over the rivers Passaic and Hackensack, and for other purposes therein mentioned," was read a second time, and dismissed.

Mr. Blanch, from the committee to whom was referred the petitions from persons confined for debt, presented a bill, entitled "An act for the relief of persons confined for debt," which bill was read, and ordered a second reading.

The house adjourned to three o'clock P. M.

The house met.

Mr. Linn, agreeably to leave given, and in behalf of the petitioners, presented a bill, entitled "An act for erecting the lower part of the County of Sussex, together with part of the counties of Hunterdon and Morris, into a separate county, to be called the county of , which bill, with the petitions from Sussex, Morris, and Hunterdon were read, and ordered a second reading.

*Ordered*, That Messrs. Kitchel, Parkhurst and W. Coxe, be a committee to prepare and present a bill for the support of government.

A petition from John G. W. Neeling, stating a claim on the state, was read, and dismissed.

The house adjourned till to-morrow morning, ten of the clock.

*Tuesday, November 3, 1801.*

The house met.

Mr. Dey from the committee appointed to en-

quire what sum of money had been drawn from the treasury, for the purpose of repairing the government house, and the propriety of selling the same, reported,

That the sum of ninety-seven dollars and fifty-three cents, had been drawn from the treasury by Abraham Hunt, agreeably to the law passed the seventh day of March, 1801, for the purpose of making the necessary repairs of the government house and lot.

And your committee beg leave further to report, that it would be improper at this time to sell the government house.

By order of the committee,

JOHN DEY.

Which report was read and ordered a second reading.

Mr. Linn, to whom was referred the petition of Adrianna Hennion, widow of Capt. Cornelius Hennion, report,

That the prayer of the said petitioner ought not to be granted, because her late husband, as stated in said petition, has had full compensation, and therefore no just claim can arise.

By order of the committee,

JOHN LINN.

Which report was read and agreed to.

The speaker laid before the house, a return from the register of the wills, letters of administration and guardianship, issued from his office since November 3, 1800, the date of his last return, which was read and ordered to be filed.

The house adjourned to 3 o'clock P. M.

The house met.

Mr. Corwin from the committee to whom was re-

ferred the bill as it was reported at the last sitting, for making compensation to persons for running of new roads through their land, together with sundry petitions from inhabitants of the counties of Essex, Middlesex, Morris and Gloucester, in favor of such compensation,

Reported, That in the opinion of your committee, the said bill do not pass into a law, for the following reasons, to wit : That we conceive all the very necessary roads throughout the state is already laid, without any compensation being made to individual persons ; and if this bill is now passed into a law, it will put the citizens upon an unequal footing, by obliging them to pay for all roads hereafter laid : also, it will open a door for a great deal of fraud by the people shutting up the old roads according to law, and re-laying them perhaps very adjacent to the old ones, for the express purpose of getting paid for them.

By order of the committee,  
WILLIAM CORWIN.

Which report was read and agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the said bill, and the petitions accompanying the same, be dismissed.

*Ordered*, That Messrs. Gordon, S. Harrison and Dunn, be a committee to examine what repairs are necessary to be made to the state-house, and report thereon.

The bill, intitled " An act for erecting the lower part of the county of Sussex, together with a part of the counties of Hunterdon and Morris, into a separate county, to be called the county of " was read a second time, and committed to Messrs. Seagrove, Haas, Shaver, Corwin, and A. Smith.

*Ordered*, That Messrs. Shaver, M. Smith and Dey, be a committee to examine the road act, and

to report whether any, and what amendments are necessary in the same.

A memorial from the widow, and others interested in the real estate late of Gabriel Ludlum, deceased, praying, for reasons therein set forth, that the administrators of the personal estate of the said deceased, may be authorized by law, to make titles &c. for lands sold by the deceased in his life time; and that they may also be authorized to sell his lands generally, for the benefit of his legal representatives, was read, and committed to Messrs. Frelinghuyzen, W. Coxe, and Howell.

A petition from sundry inhabitants of the county of Burlington, complaining of the conduct of John Lacey, Esq. one of the justices of the peace of the county of Burlington, was read, and committed to Messrs. Neilson, A. Harrison, and Stout.

The house adjourned till to-morrow afternoon, at  
3 o'clock.

*Wednesday, November 4, 1801.*

The house met.

A petition from sundry inhabitants of the township of Tewksbury, in the county of Hunterdon, praying that the sum cognizable before a justice of the peace, may be extended to one hundred dollars, was read, and ordered a second reading.

A petition from sundry inhabitants of the county of Somerset, praying a law may pass to authorize the improvement of the navigation of Raritan river, was read, and committed to Messrs. M'Eowen, Beatty, and Hankinson.

The bill, entitled "An act relative to courts martial, and courts of enquiry," was read, and committed to Messrs. Frelinghuyzen, Howell, Ward, Lacey and Beatty.

Mr. Gordon, from the committee appointed to examine what repairs are necessary to be made to the state house, reported as follows :

That your committee are of opinion, the platform and banisters at each end of the house, the belfrey window frames and sashes, all should immediately be painted over to preserve the wood from decaying, as they observe the paint chiefly washed off. Also, new steps on the north side, and some small repairs to the steps on the south side, together with a new cellar door frame, which repairs, it is supposed by the best information they can obtain, would amount to two hundred dollars.

By order of the committee,

PETER GORDON.

Which report was read, and agreed to—Whereupon

Mr. S. Harrison presented a bill, intitled "An act authorizing repairs to the state house," which bill was read, and ordered a second reading.

A petition from sundry inhabitants of the city of Perth Amboy, praying the benefit of a lottery to enable them to build a church in Amboy, was read, and committed to Messrs. Lacey, Burroughs and Mickle.

Mr. Neilson, agreeably to leave given, and in behalf of the petitioners, presented a bill, intitled "An act to improve the navigation of the river Macheponix, from James Abraham's grist-mill, to the tide waters on South river," which bill was read, and ordered a second reading.

A petition from Theodosia Simpkins, praying, for reasons therein contained, that she may be divorced by law from her husband, was read, and committed to Messrs. Burgin, Linn, and A. Smith.

Mr. Lippincott, from the committee who were appointed to report by bill, or otherwise, whether any and what alterations will be necessary in the law of this state respecting coroners, reported as follows :

That in their opinion, it is not expedient to make any alterations in the law on this subject.

By order of the committee,

JOB LIPPINCOTT.

Which report was read, and ordered a second reading.

The house adjourned till to-morrow morning ten of the clock.

*Thursday, November 5, 1801.*

The house met.

A petition from the townships of Morris and Hanover, in the county of Morris, praying that a law may pass to lay off a new township from the said townships, was read, and committed to Messrs. Ward, Corwin and French.

A petition from the said townships, was read in opposition thereto, and referred to the same committee.

Mr. Neilson, from the committee to whom was referred the petition and representation of some of the citizens of the county of Burlington, reported,

That having examined, and duly considered the said petition and representation, are of opinion that the first and second charges against John Lacey, Esq. contained therein, are worthy of public investigation, and recommend to the house that such investigation take place in such way as the house shall direct.

The committee further report, that the third charge in the said petition and representation, being a proceeding of ancient date, to wit. in October, 1792, that the commission of the justice under which he then acted, having expired before the charge was made, is not, in the opinion of your committee, cognizable before this house.

By order of the committee,

JOHN NEILSON.

Which report was read, and agreed to—Whereupon,

*Ordered*, That the petitioners be heard before the house, on Wednesday next, at ten o'clock, with their witnesses, to substantiate the charges above referred to, and that General Lacey have leave to appear at the same time with his witnesses, to defend himself against the said charges, and that each party have subpœnas for their witnesses.

A petition from Nathaniel Budd and others, praying that a ferry may be established from Hosimus to New-York, across the North river, was read, and committed to Messrs. Post, Linn and A. Pierson.

The bill, intitled "An act to improve the navigation of the river Macheponix, from James Abraham's grist-mill, to the tide waters on South river," was read a second time, and committed to Messrs. Blanch, S. Harrison and J. Cox.

Mr. Frelinghuysen, from the committee to whom was referred the petition in behalf of the heirs of Gabriel Ludlum, presented a bill, intitled "An act concerning the estate of Gabriel Ludlum, of the county of Sussex, deceased," which bill was read, and ordered a second reading.

The Speaker laid before the house a letter from the secretary, accompanied with the account of Joseph Gaston, commissioner of forfeited estates for

the county of Sussex, settled before him, which were read, and committed to Messrs. Scudder, Lip-pincott, and M. Smith.

A petition from the administrators of the estate of Joseph Van Dorm, deceased, and guardians of his children, respecting the improvement of the navigation of Raritan river, was read and committed to Messrs. M'Eowen, Beatty, and Hankinson.

The house adjourned to 3 o'clock P. M.

The house met.

A petition from John I. Westervelt, praying liberty to throw a dam across Passaic river, at the upper end of Slotterdam, and praying leave to present a bill for that purpose, with a petition from Jacob Ackerman, in opposition thereto, were read, and committed to Messrs. Haas, Blanch, and W. Pearson.

A petition from Robert Harris, praying leave, under certain restrictions, to throw a dam across Raritan river, near Raritan Landing, for raising the water so as to accommodate mills, was read, and ordered a second reading.

A petition from sundry inhabitants of the tow nship of Downs, in the county of Cumberland, praying leave to present a bill for daming out Antuxet creek, was read, and committed to Messrs. Burgin, Seagrave, and S. Harrison.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Neilson have leave of absence on account of the indisposition of his family.

Mr. Neilson having obtained leave of absence, and having been one of the committee appointed to join the committee of Council, to settle the treasurer's accounts,

*Ordered*, That Mr. Knott be appointed to take the place of Mr. Neilson in the said committee, and

that the clerk do wait on the Council, and acquaint them therewith.

The bill, intitled "An act authorizing repairs to the state house," was read a second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

The bill, intitled "An act concerning the estate of Gabriel Ludlum, late of the county of Sussex, deceased," was read a second time, debated, and ordered to be engrossed.

The house adjourned till to-morrow morning ten of the clock.

*Friday, November 6, 1801.*

The house met.

Mr. Post, from the committee to whom was referred the petition of Nathaniel Budd, reported as follows :

That it is the opinion of your committee, that the establishment of a ferry from Hosimus, in the county of Bergen, to the city of New-York, will be highly advantageous to the public; and that the said Nathaniel Budd have leave to present a bill for that purpose, on the second Tuesday of the next fitting of the legislature, on his giving public notice thereof by advertisement in the newspapers published at Newark—also, by advertisements put up in three of the most public places in the neighbourhood of Hosimus, at least four weeks previous thereto.

By order of the committee,

RALPH POST.

Which report was read, and disagreed to.

*Ordered*, That the petitions be dismissed.

Agreeably to the order of the day, on the petition from sundry inhabitants of Chester, in the county

of Burlington, presented on the 28th ultimo, the said petition was read—a petition was presented and read, in opposition thereto.

*Ordered*, That the said petitions be committed to Messrs. French, Burroughs, and Van Duyn.

A petition from Nicholas I. Roosevelt, praying that a company may be incorporated by law, to manage the working of Schuyler's mine, was read, and committed to Messrs. Kitchel, Ward, and Parkhurst.

Petitions were presented from Sherman, Mershon and Thomas, Mann and Wilson, Shepherd Kollock and Pennington and Gould, each praying to be appointed to print the state work for this year, which petitions were read, and ordered a second reading.

A petition from the county of Cumberland, praying for reasons therein set forth, that no law may pass to authorize the drawing out Antuxet Creek, agreeably to the prayer of the petition from Downs, presented yesterday, was read and committed to Messrs. Burgin, Seagrave and S. Harrison.

Mr. Kitchel from the committee appointed for that purpose, presented a bill, intitled, "An Act for the support of government of the state of New-Jersey," which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

Mr. Ward, from the committee to whom was referred the petition from the inhabitants of the townships of Hanover and Morris, in the county of Morris, praying for a new Township to be set off,

*Reported*, That in the opinion of your committee, the petitioners ought to have leave to present a bill to answer the prayer of their petition, on the second Thursday of the next fitting of the Legislature, previously advertising the purport of the bill.

they mean to present, in at least three of the most public places in the townships of Hanover and Morris at least six weeks, and also, in the news paper printed in the Town of Morris.

By order of the committee,

PETER WARD.

To which the house agreed.

Mr. Blanch, from the committee to whom was referred the petition respecting the taxing of Dogs, presented a bill intitled, "An act to repeal an act intitled, "An act to discourage the keeping of Dogs by imposing a tax on the owners or keepers thereof," which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

The house adjourned to three o'clock, P. M.

The house met.

The engrossed bill intitled, "An act to authorize repairs to the state house," was read and compared.

*Resolved unanimously*, That the same do pass.

*Ordered*, That the speaker do sign the same, and that the clerk do carry the said bill to Council for concurrence.

A petition from Joseph Task, confined in the gaol of Burlington county for debt, praying that the act for the relief of insolvent debtors, may be extended to him, with a letter from John Elton, praying that he may not be indulged with the prayer of his petition, were read and ordered a second reading, with the act before the house for the relief of insolvent debtors.

A message from the Council, by Mr. Beatty, their Secretary.

Mr. Speaker,

I am directed by Council, to lay before the Af-

fembly, the bill, intitled "A supplement to an act, intitled "An act to regulate the election of members of the Legislative Council and General Assembly, Sheriffs, and Coroners of this state," with sundry amendments made thereto by Council, to which amendments, he requested the concurrence of this house.

Which bill was read, with the amendments, and ordered a second reading.

The engrossed bill, intitled "An act concerning the estate of Gabriel Ludlum, late of the county of Sussex," was read and compared.

On the question whether the same do pass? It was carried in the negative, as follows:

Nays.	YeaS.
Messrs. Burgin,	Messrs. Beatty,
Burroughs,	Blanch,
Dunn,	Corwin,
Hankinson,	J. Cox,
A. Harrison,	W. Coxe,
S. Harrison,	Dey,
Linn,	Frelinghuyzen,
Lippincott,	French,
M'Eowen,	Gordon,
Mickle,	Haas,
Parkhurst,	Howell,
A. Pierson,	Kitchel,
Post,	Knott,
Seagrave,	Lacey,
Shaver,	W. Pearson,
A. Smith,	Scudder,
M. Smith,	Ward.
Stout,	
Van Duyn.	

*Ordered*, That the said bill be dismissed.

Mr. Kitchel, from the committee to whom was

referred the petition from Nicholas I. Roseveit, reported a bill, intitled "An act to incorporate the persons therein named, and their associates, under the name of the Soho company," which bill was read, and ordered a second reading.

Mr. Burgin, from the committee to whom was committed the petition of Theodosia Simpkins, reported a bill, intitled "An act to dissolve the marriage contract between Theodosia Simpkins and Charles Simpkins, her husband," which bill was read, and ordered a second reading.

Mr. Lacey, from the committee to whom was referred the petition from sundry inhabitants of Perth Amboy, in the county of Middlesex, praying that a law may be passed granting them a lottery for raising the sum of four thousand dollars for the purpose of building a church in the city of Perth Amboy, reported,

That in the opinion of your committee, the promotion and encouragement of religion in all governments is laudable and proper, and more especially so in republican governments, where the very existence of it depends on the information and virtue of the people. It is, therefore, the opinion of your committee, that the petitioners have leave to bring in a bill to answer the prayer of their petition.

By order of the committee.

J. LACEY.

Which report was read and ordered a second reading.

The house adjourned till to-morrow morning, ten of the clock.

*Monday, November 9, 1801.*

The house met.

The bill, intitled "A supplement to an act, in-

titled "An act to regulate the election of members of the Legislative Council and General Assembly, Sheriffs, and Coroners of the state," with the amendments made thereto by Council, was read a second time, the amendments agreed to, and the bill ordered to be re-engrossed.

The petition from Robert Harris, read on the 5th instant, was read a second time, and referred to the next fitting.

The bill, intitled "An act to repeal an act, intitled "An act to discourage the keeping of dogs, by imposing a tax on the owners or keepers thereof," was read a second time, and committed to Messrs. W. Coxe, Howell and Kitchel.

The report of Mr. Dey, of the 3d instant, was read a second time—Whereupon,

*Ordered*, That the same be committed to Messrs. Dey, A. Harrison, A. Pierson, Gordon and W. Pearson, who are to examine and settle the accounts of Abraham Hunt, appointed by law to make repairs to the government house, and also to report the expediency or inexpediency of selling the same, and that the clerk wait on the Council, and request them to appoint a committee to join the committee of this house for that purpose.

The house adjourned to three o'clock P. M.

The house met.

Mr. Shaver, from the committee appointed to examine the road law, reported as follows :

That they have examined the same, and are of opinion that the third section of said law ought to be amended so as not to allow overseers of the highways to be entitled to receive pay in such townships where the roads are worked by labour; and that the 6th section of said law should be altered so

that overseers of the highways may be prosecuted before a magistrate for neglect of duty.

ABRAHAM SHAVER.

Which report was read, and ordered a second reading.

A message from the Council, by Mr. Beatty, their secretary.

Mr. Speaker,

Mr. C. Clark, Mr. Anderson and Mr. Parrot, or any two of them, are appointed a committee on the part of Council, to join the committee of the House of Assembly, for the purpose of examining and settling the accounts of Abraham Hunt, appointed by law to make repairs to the government house, and to report on the expediency, or inexpediency, of selling the same.

The bill, intitled "An act for the support of the government of the state of New-Jersey," was read a second time, and after some time spent thereon,

*Ordered*, That the further consideration thereof be postponed.

The house adjourned till to-morrow morning, ten of the clock.

*Tuesday, November 10, 1801.*

The house met.

Mr. Kitchel, from the committee appointed to join the committee of Council, for the purpose of settling the accounts of the Treasurer, brought in the following statement and report :—

Dr.

JAMES SALTAR, *Treasurer*—

On account of taxes levied in---

To deficiencies not paid in on the last settlement by the counties of	Lawful Money.
	Dols. Cts.
Bergen,	369 32
Hunterdon,	1072 77
	—————
	1442 09

Dr.

JAMES SALTAR, *Treasurer*—

On account of tax for raising £. 50,000---

To deficiencies not paid in on the last settlement by the counties of	State Money.
	Dols. Cts.
Burlington,	1533 36
Sussex,	1197 95
	—————
	2731 31

—*to the State of New-Jersey,*

*Cr.*

---Continental-Money and reduced to Specie.

By deficiency not yet paid in by the  
county of

Dols. Cts.

Bergen,

869 32

Balance carried to account current,

1072 77

1442 09

October 30, 1801.

By order of the committees,

PETER D. VROOM.

—*to the State of New-Jersey,*

*Cr.*

---State Money and Certificates due Dec. 1, 1781.

By deficiencies not yet paid in by

Dols. Cts.

the counties of

1533 36

Burlington,

349 78

Sussex,

Balance carried to account current,

848 17

2731 31

October 30, 1801.

By order of the committees,

PETER D. VROOM.

Dr.

JAMES SALTAR, Treasurer—

On account of tax for raising £. 50,000 State--  
due July 1, 1782.

To deficiencies not paid in on the last settlement by the counties of	State Money.
	Dols. Cts.
Morris,	2171 51
Hunterdon,	506 74
	—————
	2678 25

Dr.

JAMES SALTAR, Treasurer—

On account of the proportion of the second--  
1, 1784.

To deficiencies not paid in on the last settlement by the county of	Lawful Money.
	Dols. Cts.
Hunterdon,	252 93

—to the State of New-Jersey,

*Cr.*

---Money and Certificates and £. 25,000 Specie,

By deficiencies not yet paid in by the county of Morris,	State Money. Dols. Cts.
	2171 51
Balance carried to account cur- rent, Dols. 168 91 Cts. Specie, received at one for three, agree- ably] to a law passed March 9, 1801, equal to	508 74
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	2678 25

October 30, 1801.

By order of the committees,  
PETER D. VROOM.

—to the State of New-Jersey,

*Cr.*

---payment of tax for raising £. 90,930 due January

By amount carried to account current,	Lawful Money. Dols. Cts.
	852 93
October 30, 1801.	

By order of the committees,

PETER D. VROOM.

*Dr.*JAMES SALTAR, *Treasurer—*

On account of tax for raising £. 10,000 Specie---  
ember 1, 1785.

To deficiencies not paid in on the last settlement by the counties of	Lawful Money,
	Dols. Cts.
Hunterdon,	613 24
Sussex,	1434 48
	—————
	2047 72

*Dr.*JAMES SALTAR, *Treasurer—*

On account of tax in Specie, due Jan. 1, 1783,---  
tinental taxes; but by a law passed Nov. 28, 1789,---

To deficiencies not paid in on the last settlement by the counties of	Lawful Money,
	Dols. Cts.
Morris,	4912 97
Sussex,	3771 40
	—————
	8684 37

—*to the State of New-Jersey,* Cr.

---for sinking £. 30,000 in Bills of Credit due De-

By deficiency not yet paid in by the county of	Lawful Money. Dols. Cts.
Sussex,	1434 48
Balance carried to account current,	613 24
	2947 72

October 30, 1801.

By order of the committees,

PETER D. VROOM.

—*to the State of New-Jersey,* Cr.

---which was made payable to the receiver of Con-  
---is made payable into the treasury.

By deficiencies not yet paid in by the counties of	Lawful Money. Dols. Cts.
Morris,	4912 97
Sussex,	3529 57
Balance carried to account current,	241 83
	8684 37

October 30, 1801.

By order of the committees,

PETER D. VROOM.

*Dr.***JAMES SALTAR, Treasurer—**

On account of tax in Specie, due Oct. 1, 1783—  
tinental taxes; but by a law passed Nov. 28, 1789---

To deficiencies not paid in on the last settlement by the counties of	Lawful Money. Dols. Cts.
Monmouth,	2928 34
Morris,	3304 89
Sussex,	1312 23
	—————
	7545 46

*Dr.***JAMET SALTAR, Treasurer—**

On account of tax in Specie, due Jan. 1, 1784,---  
taxes; but by a law passed November 28, 1789,---

To deficiencies not paid in on the last settlement by the counties of	Lawful Money. Dols. Cts.
Monmouth,	3908
Burlington,	1548 48
Sussex,	1865 57
Morris,	3304 89
	—————
	10626 94

—*to the State of New-Jersey,* Cr.

---which was payable to the receiver of Continental---  
---is made payable into the treasury.

By deficiencies not yet paid in by the counties of	Lawful Money. Dols. Cts.
Monmouth,	2928 34
Morris,	3304 89
Sussex,	830 23
Balance carried to account current,	482
	7545 46

October, 30 1801.

By order of the committees,  
PETER D. VROOM.

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—*to the State of New-Jersey,* Cr.

---which was payable to the receiver of Continental---  
---is made payable into the treasury.

By deficiencies not yet paid in by the counties of	Lawful Money. Dols. Cts.
Monmouth,	3908
Burlington,	1548 48
Morris,	3304 89
Sussex,	1865 57
	10626 94

October 30, 1801.

By order of the committees,  
PETER D. VROOM.

*Amount of Deficiencies due from the several Counties.*

**TAXES DUE BEFORE THE YEAR 1785.**

**TOTAL AMOUNT**

COUNTRIES.	LEVIED IN OLD STATE MONEY.		LEVIED IN CONTINENTAL MONEY AND REDUCED TO STATE MONEY.		LEVIED IN SPECIE.		LEVIED IN SPECIE, FORMERLY DUE TO THE CONTINENTAL RECEIVER.		LEVIED IN SINKING FUND TAX, DUE OCT. 1, 1785.		OLD STATE MONEY.		LAWFUL MONEY.	
	Dols.	Cts.	Dols.	Cts.	Dols.	Cts.	Dols.	Cts.	Dols.	Cts.	Dols.	Cts.	Dols.	Cts.
Bergen,	0	0	369	32	0	0	0	0	369	32	0	0	0	0
Essex,	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Middlesex,	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Monmouth,	0	0	0	0	6836	34	0	0	6836	34	0	0	0	0
Somerset,	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Burlington,	1533	36	0	0	1548	48	0	0	1533	36	1548	48	0	0
Gloucester,	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Salem,	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cape-May,	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Hunterdon,	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Morris,	2171	51	0	0	11522	75	0	0	2171	51	11522	75	0	0
Cumberland,	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sussex,	349	78	0	0	6225	37	1434	48	349	78	7659	85	0	0

October 30, 1801.

JAMES SALTAR, *Treasurer, to the State of New-Jersey, Dr.*

**On account of cash received of fundry persons.**

1800.	Dols. Cts.
Nov. 15, Received of Albert C. Zabriskee, sheriff of Bergen county, per Robert Campbell, the balance of the fines imposed by the courts in said county, during the year, ending the second Tuesday in October, 1800,	5 70
11, Robert Ross, late ditto of Middlesex county, on account of ditto for 1798 and 1799,	94 35
Israel Canfield, ditto of Morris county, on account of ditto, the second Tuesday in 1801. October, 1800,	167 20
Feb. 24, Joseph Doty, ditto of Somerset county, on account of ditto, for the year ending the second Tuesday in October, 1800,	14 98
April 13, Corlis Lloyd, attorney for Dr. John Lawrence, being the balance of a sum for which a judgment was obtained against William Forman, executor of Peter Forman, for a debt due to the forfeited estate of the said Dr. John Lawrence,	2 07
May 13, Received of John Tuft, sheriff of Salem county, the balance of fines imposed by the courts in said county, during the year, ending the second Tuesday in October, 1800,	2 20
Joseph Hugg, sheriff of Gloucester county, on account of fines imposed by the courts in said county, during the year, ending October, 1800,	69 50
Samuel P. Forman, sheriff of Monmouth county, on account of fines imposed by the courts in said county, during the year, ending October, 1800,	4 89
Amount carried over,	<hr/> 360 90

1801.

Dols. Cts.

	Amount brought over,	360 90
May 13, Aaron Woodruff, attorney general, the balance due on a recognizance. The state against John Warn, security of Thomas Warn,		310 88
July 28, Moore Furman, Esq. the balance reported to be due from him to the state, by a committee of both houses, of the 6th of November, and agreed to by the legislature on the 11th and 12th of the same month, 1800,		106 56
Sept. 1, Robert Ross, late sheriff of Middlesex county, on account of fines imposed by the courts in said county, during the time he was in office, 1798, 1799 and 1800,		82 10
3, Received of Thomas Anderson, of Sussex county, on account of the forfeited recognizance of Henry Hankinson, recognizer of Thomas Warner in the sessions of said county,		106 67
Amount carried to account current,	967 11	

October 30th, 1801.

By order of the committees,

PETER D. VROOM.

JAMES SALTAR, *Treasurer, to the State of New-Jersey, Dr.*

**On account of cash received of the agents and commissioners of forfeited estates.**

1800.

Dols. Cts.

Nov. 19, Received of Samuel Hays, agent of forfeited estates for the county of Essex, per Jabez Parkhurst, being in full consideration of 2000 00 in loan office certificates, by him received of Lewis Pintard, for a debt he owed to one Jauncey, whose estate was forfeited, agreeably to a resolution of the legislature, passed November 7th, 1800,	120 00
Joseph Stout, Agent of forfeited estates for the county of Middlesex, on account of the estates of Peter Andrew and Oliver Barbarice,	442 00
Amount carried to the account current,	<hr/> 562 00

October 30th, 1801.

By order of the committees,

PETER D. VROOM.

JAMES SALTAR, *Treasurer, to the State of New-Jersey, Dr.*

**On account of cash received of sundry persons, for fees on private laws, agreeably to a law passed February 20th, 1794.**

1801.

Dols. Cts.

Feb. 9, Received of Morris Robinson, the fees on an act authorizing a dam to be made across Great-Egg-Harbour river, passed February 9th, 1801,	4 19
Amount carried over,	<hr/> 4 19

	Amount brought over,	4 19
1801.		Dols. Cts.
Feb. 17, Received of John N. Cumming, per Jabez Parkhurst, the fees on the passage of an act for incorporating the Newark aqueduct company, passed November 17th, 1800,		10 60
March 7, Received of Anthony Keasby, for the fees of an account concerning Slou Creek Meadow, passed February 19th, 1801,		6 55
Received of Charles Clark 5 dollars and 39 cents, being the fees on passing the act authorizing the administrator of William Hobrow, to carry into effect a certain contract, passed November 17th 1800,		5 39
30, Received of Joseph Sharp, Esq. 5 dollars and 50 cents, for the fees on an account to authorize Alcha Hebler and Joseph Hebler, administrators of Zachariah Hebler, deceased, to fulfil a contract for the sale of lands made by the deceased with John Hardin,		5 50

Amount carried to account current, 32 23  
October 30, 1801.

By order of the committees,

PETER D. VROOM.

JAMES SALTAR, *Treasurer, to the State of New-Jersey, Dr.*

On account of cash received from the  
United States.

1801.	Dols. Cts.
Feb. 20, Received of James Ewing, commissioner of loans, three quarters interest, up to January 1, 1800, including 2 per cent on the 6 per cent stock,	2352 84
Oct. 30. Received of James Ewing, commissioner of loans, three month's interest on the stock of this state, in the funds of the United States,	2434 53
Amount carried to account current,	4787 37

October 30, 1801.

By order of the committees,

PETER D. VROOM.

JAMES SALTAR, *Treasurer, to the State of New-Jersey, Dr.*

On account of cash received of the commissioners of the new loan offices in the several counties, on account of principle and interest.

1801.	Interest. Principal. Dols. Cts. Dols. Cts.
May 15. Received of the board of freeholders of Hunterdon county, per John Phillips, the balance of the principal sum, loaned in said county, due May 1, 1799,	456 60
Also, the amount of interest arising on that part of the principal left unpaid on the 1st of May, 1799,	55 20
Amount carried over,	55 20 456 60

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	Amount brought over,	55	90	456	60
1801.					
May 20, Received of the board of freeholders of Salem county, per William Parret, the balance of the principal sum loaned in said county, due May 1, 1799,				47	32
Also, the amount of interest arising on that part of the principal left unpaid on the 1st of May, 1799,			2	60	
29, Received of Parsons Leaming, collector of Cape-May county, per Aaron Eldridge, the balance of the principal sum, loaned in said county, due May 1, 1799,				58	91
Also the amount of interest arising on the said principal left unpaid on the 1st of May, 1799,		7	93		
Amount carried to account current,		66	43	562	88

October 30, 1801.

By order of the committees,

PETER D. VR.COM.



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Dr.

JAMES SALTAR, Treasurer

Account current in—

	Dols. Cts.
To balance due the state on settlement made October 80, 1800, in old state money, dols. 346 00	
To ditto dols. 2872 67 specie received at one for three on the sinking fund tax, and not yet exchanged, equal in old state money, to 8618 01,	8964 01
To ditto received on the tax, due December 1, 1781,	848 17
To ditto received on the tax due July 1, 1782, dols. 163 91 specie, agreeably to a law passed March 9, 1804, equal at one for three in old state money, to	506 73
To ditto received on the sinking fund tax, due Decem- ber 1, 1785, Dols. 613 24, specie, equal at one for three in old state money, to	1839 72
	<hr/> 12158 63

October 30, 1801.

WE the committees of Council and Assembly, appointed to--  
find a balance of one thousand, one hundred and ninety-four dol--  
thousand, six hundred and fifty-four dollars and eighty-two cents,-  
1782, which is not yet exchanged, equal to ten thousand, nine--  
money, remaining in the hands of the treasurer, agreeably to the-

—to the State of New-Jersey,

*Cr.*

—Old State Money.

	Dols. Cts.
By balance due the state in old state money,	1194 17
By ditto received on the sinking fund tax, dollars 3485 91, and dollars 168 91, received on the tax due July 1, 1782, agreeably to a law passed March 9, 1801, making dollars 3654 82, specie, which is not yet exchanged, equal in old state money, to	10264 46
	<hr/> 12158 63

--settle the treasurer's accounts, having examined the above, dollars and seventeen cents, old state money, and the sum of three specie, received on the sinking fund tax, and the tax due July 1, hundred and sixty-four dollars and forty-six cents, old state above statement.

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 AARON KITCHELL,  
 JOHN LINN,  
 JOHN NEILSON,  
 ISAAC MICKLE,  
 EDWARD BURROUGHS.

Dr.

JAMES SALTAR, Treasurer—

## Account current in—

To balance due the state on settlement, made October 30, 1800,	37236	48
To ditto received on the taxes levied in continental money, and reduced to specie.	1072	77
To ditto received on the tax, due January 1, 1784,	852	93
To ditto received on the tax due January 1, 1783, formerly payable to the receiver of continental taxes,	241	83
To ditto received on ditto, due October 1, 1783, ditto,	482	00
To cash received of sundry persons,	967	11
To ditto received of the commissioners of forfeited estates	562	00
To ditto received for fees on private laws,	32	23
To ditto received from the United States,	4787	37
To ditto received of the commissioners of the new loan office: interest, dols. 66 48—principal, dols. 562 83,	629	26

Amount carried forward,

46853 98

—*to the State of New-Jersey,**Cr.*

## —Lawful Money.

By amount of sundry vouchers, from No. 1 to 136 inclusive, for cash paid to the members of the legislature for their wages, to their clerks, door-keepers and to the printers,

10059 16

By do. do. from No. 1 to No. 20, for ditto paid to the officers of government on account of their salaries, and to the judges of the supreme court for holding circuit courts,

8212 01

By ditto of ditto, from No 1 to No. 59, for ditto paid for sundry incidental charges,

6470 10

By ditto of ditto, from No. 1 to No. 49, for ditto paid on warrants for pensions,

2210 77

By ditto of ditto, from No. 1 to No. 2, for ditto paid for the principal and interest of forfeited estates notes,

123- 75

By ditto of voucher No. 1, for ditto paid for one fourth of the principal and interest of notes funded agreeably to an act for the gradual reduction of the state debt, passed March 12, 1796,

1 49

By ditto of ditto, for ditto paid for the principal and interest of notes funded by an act for the gradual reduction of the state debt, agreeably to a law of February 13, 1797,

4 55

By ditto of sundry vouchers from No. 1 to No. 1, for ditto paid for the principal and interest of Conject's militia and depreciation notes, agreeably to a law passed February 13, 1797,

45 50

By ditto of ditto, from No. 1 to 47, for ditto paid to the keeper of the state prison, his deputy assistants, &c. agreeably to a law of February 16, 1798, and the supplement thereto,

5079 27½

Amount carried forward,

52206 01

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	Dols. Cts.
To amount brought forward	46863 . 98
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	46863 . 98

October 30, 1801.

WE the committees of Council and Assembly, appointed to--  
the vouchers relative thereto, viz. from No. 1 to No. 136, from--  
No. 1 to No 2, No. 1 No. 1, from No. 1 to No. 4, from No. 1 to--  
of fourteen thousand and seventy five dollars and seventy one cents--  
Treasurer, agreeably to the above statements.

Dr.

JAMES SALTAR, *Treasurer*—

Account current in—

	Dols. Cts.
To 10 notes signed by the former treasurer, John Stevens, received of James Mott, late treasurer, agreeably to the settlement made October 30, 1800, amounting to	63 . 22

October 30, 1801.

WE the committees of Council and Assembly, appointed--  
find ten notes, amounting to sixty-three dollars and twenty-two--  
above statement.

	Dols. Cts.
By amount brought forward,	32206 60½
By amount of sundry vouchers, from No. 1 to No. 10, for cash paid to the collectors of the several counties, being the sums they paid for holding inquisitions,	581 66
Balance due the state,	14075 71½
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	46863 98

--settle the Treasurer's Accounts, having examined the above, and --No. 1 to No. 20, from No. 1 to No. 59, from No. 1 to No. 49, from --No. 47, and from No. 1 to No. 10 inclusive, do find a balance --and an half, lawful money, remaining in the hands of the said

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JOHN LINN,  
ISAAC MICKLE,  
JOHN NEILSON,  
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—to the State of New-Jersey, Cr.

—notes of depreciation.

	Dols. Cts.
By 10 notes signed by John Stevens, former treasurer, remaining in the hands of James Saltar, treasurer, amounting to	63 22
—to settle the treasurer's accounts, having examined the above, do cents, remaining in the hands of the treasurer, agreeably to the	
GEORGE ANDERSON, PETER D. VROOM. AARON KITCHEL, JOHN LINN, ISAAC MICKLE, JOHN NEILSON, EDWARD BURROUGHS.	

Dr.

JAMES SALTAR, *Treasurer—*

Account current in—

Dols. Cts.

To 29 notes signed and issued by the treasurer, and counter-signed by the auditor, remaining in the hands of the treasurer, on settlement made October 30, 1800, amounting to 882 79

October 30, 1801.

WE the committees of Council and Assembly, appointed to--  
the voucher relative thereto, do find twenty-eight notes, amount--  
ing in the hands of the treasurer, agreeably to the above state--

Dr.

JAMES SALTAR, *Treasurer—*

Account current in notes—

Dols. Cts.

To 1 note signed and issued by the treasurer on certi-  
ficates, funded agreeably to the above law, remain-  
ing in the hands of the treasurer, on settlement made  
October 30, 1800, amounting to

4 40

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4 40

October 30, 1801.

WE the committees of Council and Assembly, appointed to--  
the voucher relative thereto, do find the same justly stated.

—*to the State of New-Jersey,*

*Cr.*

—Forfeited estate notes.

	Dols. Cts.
By 1 note delivered to the proprietor thereof, amounting to	62 40
By 28 notes remaining in the hands of James Saltar, Treasurer, amounting to	820 50
	882 70

--settle the treasurer's accounts, having examined the above, and --ing to eight hundred and twenty dollars and thirty cents, remain--ment.

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AARON KITCHEL,  
JOHN LINN,  
ISAAC MICKLE,  
JOHN NEILSON,  
EDWARD BURROUGHS.

—*to the State of New-Jersey,*

*Cr.*

—issued agreeably to a law passed March 12, 1796.

	Dols. Cts.
By 1 note delivered to the proprietor thereof, amounting to	4 40
	4 40

--settle the treasurer's accounts, having examined the above and  
GEORGE ANDERSON,  
PETER D. VROOM.  
AARON KITCHEL,  
JOHN LINN,  
ISAAC MICKLE,  
JOHN NEILSON,  
EDWARD BURROUGHS.

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*Dr.*

JAMES SALTAR, *Treasurer*—

On account of fines levied on persons—

	Dols. Cts.
To deficiencies not paid in on the last settlement by the county of Monmouth,	312 6
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	312 66

*Dr.*

JAMES SALTAR, *Treasurer*—

On account of fines levied on persons exempt—

	Dols. Cts.
To the quotas of said fines, payable into the treasury, agreeably to the returns made by the several counties.	
Bergen,	85 fines,
	255 00
Essex,	14 ditto,
	42 00
Middlesex,	191 ditto,
	273 00
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Amount carried over,	570 00

*—to the State of New-Jersey,**Cr.**—exempt from militia duty, due Dec. 30, 1799.*

	Dols. Cts.
By payments made and commissions for collection by the county of Monmouth,	306 41
By cash received,	6 25
By commissions,	<hr/>
Amount of commissions,	6 25
Balance carried to account current,	306 41
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	312 66

October 30, 1801.

By order of the committees,

PETER D. VROOM,  
 AARON KITCHELL,  
 JOHN LINN,  
 ISAAC MICKLE,  
 JOHN NEILSON,  
 EDWARD BURROUGHS.

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*—to the State of New-Jersey,**Cr.**—from militia duty, due Dec. 30, 1800.*

	Dols. Cts.	Dols. Cts.
By payments made, clearances from the fines, and commissions for collection by the several counties.		
Bergen,		
By cash received,		120 48
By 4 1/4 clearances,	132 00	
By commissions,	2 52	
Essex,		
By cash received,		41 16
By commissions,	84	
Middlesex,		
By cash received,		261 66
By 2 clearances,	6 00	
By commissions,	5 34	
Amount carried over,	<hr/>	<hr/>
	146 70	423 30

		Dols. Cts.
To amount brought forward,		570 00
Monmouth,	130 ditto,	390 00
Somerset,	28 ditto,	84 00
Burlington,	184 ditto,	552 00
Gloucester,	397 ditto,	1191 00
Salem,	110 ditto,	330 00
Cape-May,	17 ditto,	51 00
Hunterdon,	98 ditto,	294 00
Morris,	46 ditto,	183 0 <sup>0</sup>
Cumberland,	67 ditto,	201 00
Sussex,	56 ditto,	168 00
		<hr/> 3969 00

		Dols.	Cts.	Dols.	Cts.
To amount brought forward,		146	70	423	30
Monmouth,	By cash received,			361	62
	By 7 clearances,	21	00		
	By commissions,	7	38		
Somerset,	By cash received,			82	32
	By commissions,	1	68		
Burlington,	By cash received,			468	64
	By 28 clearances,	84	00		
	By commissions,	9	36		
Gloucester,	By cash received,			1037	82
	By 44 clearances,	132	00		
	By commissions,	21	18		
Salem,	By cash received,			226	38
	By 33 clearances,	99	00		
	By commissions,	4	62		
Cape-May	By cash received,			49	98
	By commissions,	1	02		
Hunterdon,	By cash received,			276	36
	By 4 clearances,	12	00		
	By commissions,	5	64		
Morris,	By cash received,			123	48
	By 4 clearances,	12	00		
	By commissions,	2	52		
Cumberland,	By cash received,			176	40
	By 7 clearances,	21	00		
	By commissions,	3	60		
Sussex,	By cash received,			164	54
	By commissions,	3	36		
		588	06	3380	94
Amount of clearances with commissions,				588	06
Balance carried to account current,				3380	94
				3969	00

October 30, 1801.

By order of the committees,

PETER D. VROOM,  
 AARON KITCHEL,  
 ISAAC MICKLE.

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Dr.

JAMES SALTAR, *Treasurer*—

Account current in---

On account of---

	Dols. Cts.
To balance due the state on settlement made October 30, 1800,	8802 37
To ditto received on the fines due December 30, 1799,	306 41
To ditto received on ditto, due December 30, 1800,	3380 94
	<hr/> 12489 72

October 30, 1801.

WE the committees of Council and Assembly, appointed to the vouchers relative thereto, viz. from No. 1 to No. 27 inclusive,-- dollars and ninety five cents remaining in the hands of the Treas-

—*to the State of New-Jersey,*  
 ---Lawful Money.  
 ---the exempt fines.

Cr.

Dols. Cts.

By amount of sundry vouchers from No. 1 to No.		
27 inclusive, for cash paid to sundry officers, their salaries, and for expences and charges in organ- izing, equipping and training the militia, &c.	3127	77
Balance due the state,	9361	95
		12489
		72

--settle the Treasurer's Accounts, having examined the above, and  
 --do find a balance of nine thousand three hundred and sixty one  
 --doller, agreeably to the above statement.

GEORGE ANDERSON,  
 PETER D. VROOM,  
 AARON KITCHEL,  
 JOHN LINN,  
 JOHN NEILSON,  
 ISAAC MICKLE,  
 EDWARD BURROUGHS.

*Ordered,* That the said statement and report do lie on the table.

A petition from Stephen Scales, praying the aid of a law to authorize him, under certain restrictions, to lay trunks in any ground which may be necessary for conveying the water from his spring through the city of Trenton, for the accommodation of the said city, was read, with a recommendation from a number of the citizens of Trenton, in his favor, and committed to Messrs. A. Harrison, Lippincott and Neilson.

A petition from Henry Perine, stating a claim on the state, and praying payment, was read, and dismissed.

A message from the Council, by Mr. Beatty, their secretary.

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have passed the bill, intitled "An act authorising repairs to the state house."

The report of Mr. Lippencott, of the 4th instant, was read a second time, and disagreed to.

The bill, intitled "An act for the relief of persons confined for debt," was read a second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

The petition from Tewksbury, in the county of Hunterdon, praying that the jurisdiction of a justice of the peace may be extended to one hundred dollars, was read a second time, and committed to Messrs. Scudder, Seagrave and Shaver.

*Ordered,* That Messrs. Frelinghuysen, Haas and Dey, be a committee to prepare and present a bill to provide for the election of members to represent this state in the next Congress.

The report of Mr. Shaver, presented yesterday, was read a second time, and agreed to.

*Ordered,* That Messrs. Knott, A. Pierson, and A. Smith, be a committee to prepare and present a bill in conformity with the said report.

The house adjourned to 3 o'clock P. M.

The house met.

A petition from the trustees of the poor house in Burlington, praying such amendment to the poor law, as will enable the trustees to bind out poor children, instead of the overseers of the poor, was read, and committed to Messrs. Dann, Post and Hankinson.

Mr. Haas, from the committee to whom was referred the petition of John I. Westervelt, of Slotterdam, in the county of Bergen, having examined the petition, together with the recommendation accompanying the same, as also the counter petition of Jacob Ackerman, reported as follows :

That in the opinion of your committee, the said John I. Westervelt ought to have leave to bring in a bill to answer the prayer of his petition, on the second Monday of the next sitting of the Legislature, he advertising the purport thereof at least three weeks previous thereto, in one of the newspapers printed in the town of Newark, and by advertisements set up in six of the most public places in the neighbourhood.

By order of the committee,

JOHN HAAS.

Which report was read and agreed to.

Mr. Seagrave, from the committee to whom was referred a bill for erecting part of Sussex, Morris, and Hunterdon counties into a new county, together with the petitions for and against the same,

having examined said bill and papers, are unanimously of opinion, and therefore beg leave to report, that said bill ought not to pass into a law.

By order of the committee,

ARTIS SEAGRAVE.

Which report was read and agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the said bill with the petitions accompanying the same, be dismissed.

The bill intitled, "An act to dissolve the marriage contract between Theo docia Simpkins and Charles Simpkins her husband," was read a seeond time and dismissed.

Mr. Coxe, from the committee to whom was referred the bill intitled, "An act to discourage the keeping of dogs by imposing a tax on the owners and keepers thereof," reported,

That in their opinion the subject involves a variety of contending interests, not likely to be accommodated by any general provision absolutely obligatory on the several townships of the state; that the law passed on the 24th May, 1787, appropriates the product of the tax to the use of the townships, thereby implying a discretion in the inhabitants to determine whether it would be necessary or not, to raise the same; that experience proves that no material inconvenience has arisen from this construction of the law; that the several townships have since the passing of the law, been created corporate bodies, perfectly adequate to the regulation of their domestic concerns; under these considerations, your committee are of opinion, that unless the annual town meeting in each township, should by a resolution determine the tax unnecessary for the year en-

suing the same, the law should be considered obligatory on the assessor and collector thereof.

By order of the committee,

WILLIAM COXE.

Which report was read and agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the bill referred to in the said report be re-committed to the same committee, and that they alter the same in conformity with the said report.

The house adjourned till to-morrow morning ten of the clock.

*Wednesday, November 11, 1801.*

The house met.

The re-engrossed bill intitled, "A supplement to an act intitled, "An act to regulate the election of members of the Legislative Council and General Assembly, Sheriffs and Coroners of this state," was read and compared.

*Resolved unanimously*, That the same do pass.

*Ordered*, That the speaker do sign the said bill and that the clerk do carry the same to Council and acquaint them that the said bill is passed by this house with their amendments.

The report of Mr. Kitchel, from the committee appointed to join a committee of Council for the purpose of settling the aceounts of the treasurer, was taken up and agreed to.

Mr. Harrison, from the committee to whom was referred the petition of Stephen Scales, presented a bill intitled, "An act to authorize Stephen Scales, of the city of Trenton, to convey the water from his spring through the several streets of the said city,"

which bill was read and ordered a second reading on Friday next.

A petition from the sureties of John Marsales, late Sheriff of Middlesex county, praying the benefit of a lottery to indemnify them for losses they have sustained by the delinquency of the said Sheriff, was read and dismissed.

Mr. M'Eowen, from the committee to whom was referred the petitions from sundry proprietors of mill-dams situate on the south branch of Raritan river and of the inhabitants of the counties of Somerset and Hunterdon, near the same, praying leave to erect locks in said dams, and to improve the navigation thereof, reported as follows :

That in their opinion the object of the petitioners would be of great benefit to themselves and that part of the county in general, and as the improvement of the navigation of the river Raritan and its branches, is at all times a desirable object, are therefore of opinion, the prayer of your petitioners ought to be granted and that they have leave to present a bill to answer the prayer of their petition.

By order of the committee,

WILLIAM M'EOWEN.

Which report was read and agreed to.

Agreeably to the order of the day, the house went into the hearing of witnesses, to substantiate the charges exhibited against John Lacey, Esquire, one of the justices of the county of Burlington, and after some time spent thereon,

*Ordered*, That the further consideration thereof be postponed.

The house adjourned to 3 o'clock P. M.

The House met.

Mr. Coxe, from the committee to whom was re-

ferred the bill, intitled "An act to repeal an act, intitled "An act to discourage the keeping of dogs, by imposing a tax on the owners and keepers thereof," reported the same, with sundry amendments, and the following title : "A supplement to an act, intitled "An act to discourage the keeping of dogs, by imposing a tax on the owners and keepers thereof," which bill was read, and the consideration thereof postponed.

The house resumed the consideration of the business before them this morning, on the charges exhibited against John Lacey, Esquire, and after some time spent thereon,

*Ordered*, That the further consideration thereof be postponed until to-morrow.

The house adjourned till to-morrow morning ten of the clock.

*Thursday, November 12, 1801.*

The house met.

Mr. Dey, from the committee appointed for that purpose, presented a bill, intitled "An act to raise the sum of forty thousand dollars for the year of our Lord eighteen hundred and two," which bill was read, and ordered a second reading.

The report of Mr. Lacey, of the 6th instant, respecting the application for a lottery to build a church at Amboy, was read a second time, and disagreed to.

Mr. French, from the committee to whom was referred the petition of Joseph Hawlings and others, proprietors of certain banked meadows, situate in the county of Burlington, and township of Chester, within this state, praying that a supplement may be

passed explanatory to the sixteenth section of the act, intitled " An act to enable the owners of the tide swamps and marshes, to improve the same, and the owners of meadows already banked in and held by different persons, to keep the same in good repair," passed November the twenty-ninth, seventeen hundred and eighty eight, - reported as follows :

That they have examined said law, and the petitions for and against the same, and as they neither know that the said law is insufficient in its operation, nor that it has been acted upon to the injury of any person or persons whatsoever ; they are therefore of opinion, that no alteration or explanation to the same is at present necessary.

By order of the committee,

SAMUEL FRENCH.

Which report was read, and ordered a second reading.

Mr. Dey, from the committee who were appointed to examine and settle the accounts of Abraham Hunt, appointed by law to make repairs to the government house, and also to report the expediency, or inexpediency, of selling the same, reported as follows :

That Abraham Hunt has expended in repairs of the government house, the sum of 92 dollars and 89 cents, as appears by the vouchers accompanying his accounts from No. 1 to No. 10 inclusive, which, together with commissions at 5 per cent, make the sum of 97 dollars and 53 cents, which was the sum drawn from the treasury.

And your committee beg leave further to report,

That convinced of the propriety of having the governor, as well as the heads of departments to reside at the seat of government, the convenience

which will necessarily result to persons having business in chancery, the immediate access which the executive can at all times have, and the frequent necessity of recurring to the public documents are of such importance, and we trust so obvious, that the legislature will at all times hold out the inducement of a good and convenient house, for the immediate accommodation of the governor.

The legislature having heretofore been in the habit of allowing something less for the governor's salary in consequence of finding him a house, that it may in some measure be considered as productive property, its situation also, in a central part of the town, is, in the opinion of your committee, an additional reason for keeping it at present, as it may daily rise in value.

For the above reasons, it is the opinion of your committee it would be inexpedient to sell the same at present.

By order of the committee,  
CHARLES CLARK,  
JOHN DEY.

Which report was read and agreed to.

Mr. Corwin, with leave, laid before the house a number of additional charges subscribed by Ebenezer Tucker, Esq. against John Lacey, Esq. one of the justices of the peace for the county of Burlington, which were read and ordered a second reading with the order of the day.

The order of the day being called for was read; whereupon,

The additional charges exhibited this morning, were read, and after some time spent thereon,

*Ordered*, That this business be committed, with the several papers relative thereto, to Messrs. Fre-

Linghuysen, Kitchel, Van Duyn, Stout and M. Smith.

A message from the Council, by Mr. Beatty, their secretary.

Mr. Speaker,

I am directed by Council, to lay before the House of Assembly, a bill, intitled, "A supplement to the act, intitled, "An act respecting conveyances, passed June 7, 1799," and request their concurrence therein.

Which bill was read, and ordered a second reading.

The house adjourned to 3 o'clock P. M.

The House met.

Mr. Burgin, from the committee to whom was referred the petition of sundry inhabitants of the county of Cumberland, praying leave to present a bill authorising the proprietors of marsh on Antuxet creek, to erect a dam across said creek, also the petition against the same, are of opinion, that the petitioners in favor of erecting said dam, have leave to present a bill on the second Wednesday of the next sitting of the legislature, they previously advertising the purport of the bill they mean to present, at least three weeks previous to the time appointed to present the said bill, in at least three of the most public places in each of the townships of Fairfield and Downs.

By order of the committee,

GEORGE BURGIN.

Which report was read and agreed to.

Mr. Neilson, with leave, presented a bill, intitled, "An act further to regulate fees;" which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

Mr. Dunn, from the committee to whom was referred the petition from the trustees of the poor-house of Burlington county, presented a bill, intitled, "A supplement to an act, intitled, "An act for the settlement and relief of the poor;" which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

The house resumed the consideration of the bill, intitled, "A supplement to the act, intitled, "An act to discourage the keeping of dogs, by imposing a tax on the owners or keepers thereof," and after having considered the same,

*Ordered*, That the said bill be engrossed.

Mr. Gordon, from the committee appointed to join the committee of Council to settle the accounts relative to the State-Prison, reported:

That they have examined the accounts of the said institution, with the vouchers in support of the same, which they find to be correct.

The annexed account current exhibits a general view of the different balances contained in the books, which appear to be kept with regularity and correctness.

By order of the committee,

PETER D. VROOM,

PETER GORDON.

*Dr. The State of New-Jersey in account current—  
ing October 1, 1800, and—*

1801.	Dols. Cts.
Oct. 1. To outstanding debts due the institution, as per ab- stract,	No. 1. 7002 95
To balance of sundry ac- counts, do.	2. 89 35
To balance due from sundry prisoners discharged and escaped, as per abstract,	3. 337 90
To balance due from sun- dry prisoners yet in con- finement,	4. 1744 01
To amount of materials on hand belonging to sundry accounts, as per abstract,	5. 963 99
To amount of stock on hand, as per ditto,	6. 1191 67
Balance,	6108 09
	Dols. 17437 96

State-Prison, Oct. 1. 1801.

WILLIAM CROOKS, Keeper.

*—with the State-Prison, for the year commencing Cr.  
—closing September 30, 1801.*

1800.	Dols. Cts.
Oct. 1. By balance of old account rendered this day,	547 <sup>1</sup> 7 <sup>1</sup>
By amount of debts due sun- dry persons, as per ab- stract	No. 7. 1823 66
By balance of sundry ac- counts, as per ditto,	8. 4814 73
By balance due sundry pri- soners yet in confinement,	9. 465 23
By cash drawn from the treasury, as per abstract,	10. 4862 63
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	Dols. 17437 96

WE, the active inspectors of the State-Prison,  
having examined the accounts prepared by the  
keeper for settlement with the legislature, of which  
the foregoing is the general account current, be-  
lieve the same, with this, to be justly stated.

MASKELL EWING,  
GEORGE ANDERSON.

Which report was read and ordered to lie on  
the table.

Mr. Gordon, from the same committee, having examined the accounts of George Anderson, and others, inspectors of the State-Prison, for monies drawn from the treasury, under an act passed February 24th last, for building a stone-wall, for the safe keeping of the prisoners in the State-Prison, reported as follows :

That the said inspectors have drawn from the treasury, in virtue of the said law, the sum of two hundred dollars ; that they have completed the wall in the prison yard, and have expended in erecting the same the sum of two hundred and ninety-three dollars and twenty-six cents ; and that there remains due the inspectors the sum of ninety-three dollars and twenty-six cents.

By order of the committee,

PETER D. VROOM,  
PETER GORDON.

*Ordered*, That the said report do lie on the table.

*Ordered*, That Messrs. M'Eowen, Dunn and Beaty be a committee to enquire whether any and what alterations are necessary in the law for the relief of creditors against absconding debtors.

Mr. J. Cox, with leave, presented a bill, intitled, " A supplement to an act, intitled, " An act respecting coroners, passed the eighth day of March, 1796 ; " which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

The house adjourned till to-morrow morning ten o'clock.

*Friday, November 13, 1801.*

The house met.

Agreeably to the order of the day, the bill, inti-

tled, "An act to authorise Stephen Scales, of the city of Trenton, to convey the water from his spring, through the several streets of the said city," was read a second time; whereupon,

A petition was presented in opposition thereto by the proprietors of tan-yards, and from Ebenezer Cowell.

*Ordered*, That the said bill, with the petitions, be committed to Messrs. Mickle, Hankinson, Corwin, Shaver and Post.

The bill, intitled, "An act to raise the sum of forty thousand dollars, for the year of our Lord eighteen hundred and two," was read a second time; whereupon,

*Resolved unanimously*, That the sum to be raised by the said bill be reduced to thirty thousand dollars.

*Ordered*, That the said bill be committed to the committee who reported the same, with directions to alter the bill, so as to quota the said sum on the several counties.

The engrossed bill, intitled, "An act for the relief of persons confined for debt," was read and compared;

On the question, Whether the same do pass? It was carried in the affirmative, as follows:

Yea.	Yea.
Messrs. Beatty,	S. Harrison,
Blanch,	Knott,
Burroughs,	Lacey,
J. Cox,	Lippincott,
W. Cox,	M' Eowen,
Dunn,	Mickle,
French,	Neilson,
Gordon,	Parkhurst,
A. Harrison,	A. Pierson,

Yeaſ.	Yeaſ.
Meſſrs. W. Pearson, Post, Scudder,	Meſſrs. Seagrave, M. Smith, Ward.
Nayſ.	Nayſ.
Meſſrs. Burgin, Dey, Haas, Hankinson, Howell,	Meſſrs. Linn, Shaver, A. Smith, Stout, Van Duyn.

*Ordered*, That the speaker do sign the ſame, and that the clerk do carry the ſaid bill to the Council for concurrence.

The bill, intituled, “An act further to regulate fees,” was read a ſecond time, and ordered to be committed to Meſſrs. A. Harrison, W. Coxe and Blanch.

The bill, intituled, “A supplement to an act, intituled, “An act for the settlement and relief of the poor,” was read a ſecond time, and committed to Meſſrs. Ward, Lacey and M<sup>e</sup>Eowen.

The report of Mr. French, of yeſterday, with the papers accompanying the ſame, were read a ſecond time, and the report agreed to.

The house adjourned to three o’clock P. M.

The house met.

Mr. Dey, from the committee to whom was referred the bill intituled, “An act to raise the ſum of thirty thousand dollars, for the year of our Lord, eighteen hundred and two,” reported the ſame with the amendments directed by the house, which were read, and the bill ordered to be engrossed.

Mr. Ward, from the committee to whom was referred the bill, intituled, “A supplement to an

act, intitled, " An act for the settlement and relief of the poor," reported the same with sundry amendments, which was read, and the further consideration thereof postponed.

The bill, intitled, " An act to incorporate the persons therein named, and their associates, under the name of the Soho Company," was read a second time, and after some time spent thereon,

*Ordered*, That the further consideration thereof be postponed.

The members withdrew to attend a joint-meeting, and having returned, the speaker resumed the chair, and the house adjourned till to-morrow morning ten of the clock.

*Saturday, November 14, 1801.*

The house met.

Mr. Frelinghuysen, from the committee to whom were referred the charges against John Lacey, Esq. as a justice of the peace in and for the county of Burlington, reported as follows :

That the charges brought forward against the said John Lacey, are eight in number, and are as follows :

1. That, after a judgment by confession, and execution issued, at the suit of Josiah Dungan, against John Norcross, he issued a supersedias, commanding the constable not to proceed with the execution, because the judgment was for a tavern debt : And that, upon the oath of the said John Norcross, that the claim of the said Josiah Dungan, was for a tavern debt, above two dollars, he summoned the said Josiah Dungan to appear at the next court of quarter sessions of the county of Burlington.

2. That, in consequence of this supersedias, he

recovered a debt due to himself, and that of the property of the said John Norcross, which had been levied upon by the above execution.

3. That he brought an action for a malicious civil prosecution, and gave judgment against the defendant, who had been plaintiff in a suit before another justice, and had obtained judgment by default.

4. That he put blank precepts into the hands of a constable to fill up as occasion should require.

5. That he improperly gave judgment for eight pounds against Restore Shinn, for killing four Deer.

6. That he gave judgment for ninety-four cents in favor of three carters, when he owned one of the teams.

7. That he improperly interfered, by pleading before a jury, in a cause in which he sat judge.

8. That he, on the ninth instant, uttered certain approbrious expressions, respecting the present legislature, saying that they would appoint none but damned rascals to office.

Your committee, upon the fullest consideration of the testimony given before the House of Assembly, as well as before your committee, do report as follows:

1. That the issuing the supersedias, mentioned in the first charge, has been proved to be true.

2. That the second charge is not supported by evidence.

3. That the charge exhibited in the third article, is proved to be true.

4. That the charge in the fourth article is proved to be true in one or more instances.

5. That the fifth charge is not supported by evidence.

6. That the 6th article is of so trifling a nature, as not to merit an investigation.

7. That the seventh charge is not supported by evidence.

8. That the eighth charge respects the legislature only, and is not a charge against him, as a justice of the peace.

That the first, third and fourth charges, which are proved to be true, are in the opinion of your committee, a violation of the duties of a justice of the peace, which ought to be discouraged by the legislature; but how far the said John Lacey is or can be considered as knowingly, or ignorantly acting wrong, your committee do not think it their duty to determine; but beg leave to submit the following question to the consideration of the house, viz.

Shall John Lacey, Esq. be impeached?

By order of the committee,

FRED: FRELINGHUYSEN.

Which report was read, and ordered a second reading; whereupon,

Mr. Lacey rose and made such explanation and concessions respecting the last charge exhibited against him, as this house unanimously deemed satisfactory.

Mr. McEowen, from the committee appointed to enquire if any, and what alterations are necessary to the act for the relief of creditors against absconding debtors, reported as follows:

That it is the opinion of your committee no alteration to said law is necessary; but so far as it relates to the fees of justices of the peace, in cases of attachments issued by them, by virtue of the courts established in this state, for the trial of small causes, in the

opinion of your committee, ought to be provided for.

By order of the committee,

WILLIAM M'EOWEN.

Which report was agreed to and referred to the committee to whom was referred the act further to regulate fees.

The house resumed the consideration of the bill, intitled, " An act to incorporate the persons therein named, and their associates, under the name of the Soho Company," and the title was amended by adding between the words "Soho" and "Company," the words, *Copper-Mine and Metal*; and after having gone through the said bill,

*Ordered*, That the same be engrossed.

The house resumed the consideration of the bill, intitled, " A supplement to an act, intitled, " An act for the settlement and relief of the poor."

*Ordered*, That the said bill be engrossed.

The report of Mr. Haas, of the 31st of October last, was read; whereupon,

A petition from the board of freeholders of the county of Burlington, remonstrating against the application of the township of Egg-Harbour, was read.

*Ordered*, That the house agree to the said report; whereupon,

Mr. Van Duyn, in behalf of the township of Little Egg-Harbour, presented a bill, intitled, " An act to amend and explain an act, intitled, " An act, to enforce the collection of arrearages of taxes, in the counties of Morris and Burlington;" which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

The house adjourned till Monday morning, ten of the clock.

*Monday, November 16, 1801.*

The house met.

A memorial from the inspectors of the State-Prison, stating that, for want of shops for the prisoners to work in, about twenty men are idle, and offering a plan for the consideration of the legislature of shops proper to be built, was read and committed to Messrs. Howell, Neilson and Burroughs.

Mr. Cox, with leave, presented a bill, intitled, "An act for securing the citizens of this state against danger from gun-powder;" which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

A memorial from Samuel Forman, praying liberty to raise money by a lottery to indemnify him for losses he alledges he has sustained by the fluctuation of paper currency, was read and dismissed.

The report of Mr. Gordon, from the committee appointed to join the committee of Council to settle the accounts relative to the State-Prison, together with the report of the same committee, appointed to settle the accounts of George Anderson, Esq. and others, inspectors of the State-Prison, was taken up and agreed to.

The bill, intitled, "An act to amend and explain an act, intitled, "An act to enforce the collection of arrearages of taxes in the counties of Morris and Burlington," was read a second time, and committed to Messrs. A. Pierlon, Seagrave and Scudder.

The house adjourned to three o'clock P. M.

The house met.

Mr. Knott, from the committee who were directed to present a bill, in conformity to the report of

of Abraham Shaver, from the committee appointed to examine the road law, presented a bill, intitled, " A supplement to the act, intitled, " An act making provision for working and repairing the highways, passed March 6, 1798 ;" which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

Mr. Corwin, from the committee to whom was referred the petition of James Christie and others, reported :

That, in the opinion of your committee, the prayer of the petitioners ought not to be granted.

By order of the committee,

WILLIAM CORWIN.

Which report was read and agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the petitioners have leave to withdraw their papers.

A message from the Council, by Mr. Beatty, their secretary.

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have disagreed to the bill, intitled, " An act for the relief of persons confined for debt."

The house resumed the consideration of the bill, intitled, " An act for the support of the government of the state of New-Jersey."

A motion was made to fill up the blank in the 4th section, being the allowance to the printers for printing the public work, with the words thirty dollars.

Upon which Mr. W. Cox moved to have it filled up with the words *twenty dollars*, which was the sum Sherman & Co. have offered to print the same for.

The sum of *twenty-six dollars* was also proposed.

On the question, Whether the house agree to fill up the said blank with the words *thirty dollars*? It was carried in the negative, as follows :

Nays.	Nays.
Messrs. Beatty,	Lacey,
Blanch,	Lippincott,
W. Coxe,	M' Eowen,
Dey,	Neilson,
Dunn,	Parkhurst,
Frelinghuysen,	W. Pearson,
French,	Scudder,
Haas,	Stout,
S. Harrison,	Van Duyn,
Howell,	Ward.
Knott,	

Yees.	Yees.
Messrs. Burgin,	Linn,
Burroughs,	Mickle,
Corwin,	A. Pierson,
J. Cox,	Post,
Gordon,	Seagrave,
Hankinson,	Shaver,
A. Harrison,	A. Smith,
Kitchel,	M. Smith,

On the question, Whether the house agree to fill up the said blank with *twenty-six dollars*? It was carried in the affirmative, as follows :

Yees.	Yees.
Messrs. Beatty,	Dey,
Blanch,	Frelinghuysen,
Burgin,	French,
Burroughs,	Gordon,
Corwin,	Hankinson,
J. Cox,	A. Harrilton,
W. Coxe,	Howell,

Yeaſ.

Meffrs. Knott,  
Lacey,  
Linn,  
M' Eowen,  
Mickle,  
Neilſon,  
Parkhurſt,

Nayſ.

Meffrs. Dunn,  
S. Harrison,  
Kitchel,  
Lippincott,

Yeaſ.

Meffrs. A. Pierson,  
Scudder,  
Seagrave,  
Shaver,  
M. Smith,  
Stout,  
Van Duyn.

Nayſ.

Meffrs. W. Pearson,  
Post,  
A. Smith,  
Ward.

The house having gone through the ſaid bill—

*Ordered*, That the ſame be engrossed.

Mr. A. Harrison, from the committee to whom was referred the bill, intituled, “An act further to regulate fees,” reported the ſame with ſundry amendments. Which bill, as amended, was read, and the further conſideration thereof postponed.

The house adjourned till to-morrow morning, ten of the clock.

*Tuesday, November 17, 1801.*

The house met.

*Ordered*, That the committee appointed to draught and report an election law for members of Congress, be discharged.

The engrossed bill, intituled, “A ſupplement to an act, intituled, “An act for the ſettlement and relief of the poor,” was read and compared.

*Resolved unanimously*, That the ſame do paſs.

The engrossed bill, intitled, "A supplement to the act, intitled, "An act to discourage the keeping of dogs, by imposing a tax on the owners or keepers thereof," was read and compared—

On the question, Whether the same do pass? It was carried in the affirmative, as follows:

Yea.	Nay.
Messrs. Beatty,	Knott,
Blanch,	Lacey,
Burgin,	Linn,
Burroughs,	Lippincott,
Corwin,	Mickle,
J. Cox,	Neilson,
W. Coxe,	A. Piereson,
Dey,	W. Pearson,
French,	Scudder,
Gordon,	Seagrave,
Haas,	Shaver,
Hankinson,	M. Smith,
S. Harrison,	Stout,
Howell,	Ward.
Kitchel,	

Nay.	Nay.
Messrs. Dunn,	Parkhurst,
Frelinghuysen,	Post,
A. Harrison,	A. Smith,
M'Eowen,	Van Duyn.

The engrossed bill, intitled, "An act to incorporate the persons therein named, and their associates, under the name of the Soho Copper-Mine and Metal Company," was read and compared—

On the question, Whether the same do pass? It was carried in the affirmative, as follows:

Yea.	Yea.
Messrs. Beatty,	Burgin,
Blanch,	Burroughs,

Yeaſ.	Yeas.
Messrs. Corwin,	Linn,
J. Cox,	Lippincott,
W. Coxe,	M' Eowen,
Dey,	Mickle,
Dunn,	Neilson,
Frelinghuſen,	Parkhurst,
French,	A. Pierson,
Gordon,	W. Pearson,
Hankinson,	Scudder,
A. Harrison,	Seagrave,
S. Harrison,	Shaver,
Kitchel,	M. Smith,
Knott,	Stout,
Lacey,	Ward.

Nayſ.	Nayſ.
Messrs. Haas, Howell,	Mr. Van Duyn,

*Ordered*, That the speaker do sign the said bills, and that the clerk do carry the same to Council for concurrence.

Mr. Linn, with leave, presented a bill, intitled, "An act to repeal an act, intitled, "An act partially to repeal an act therein named," which bill was read, and ordered a second reading.

A petition from the county of Middlesex, praying that a law may pass, authorising the establishment of a quarterly public market for the sale of horses, cattle, sheep, &c. in New-Brunswick, was read, and ordered a second reading.

The bill, intitled, "A supplement to an act, intitled, "An act respecting coroners, passed the 8th of March, 1796," was read a second time, and committed to Messrs. French, Burgin and Beatty.

The bill, intitled, "An act securing the citizens

of this state against danger from gun-powder," was read a second time, and after some time spent thereon—

*Ordered, That the further consideration thereof be postponed.*

The house adjourned to 3 o'clock, P. M.

The house met.

A representation from Henry Brees, stating charges against George Bockover, Esq. one of the justices of the peace of the county of Morris, for malpractice in his office as a justice of the peace, was read ; whereupon, the charges exhibited against the said George Bockover, Esquire, and the report of Mr. Neilson thereon, of the 3d of March last, were taken up and read ;

*Ordered, That the same be committed to Messrs. Knott, Lippincott and Mickle.*

A representation of Jacob Rickey, Esq. one of the justices of the peace of the county of Somerset, was read and ordered a second reading.

A remonstrance and petition from the inhabitants of Mendham, in the county of Morris, respecting their arrearages of taxes, was read, and dismissed.

A petition from a number of inhabitants of the state, praying that some law may pass to prohibit the peddling of goods through this state, was read, and committed to Messrs. Shaver, Gordon and W. Pearson.

The report of Mr. Frelinghuysen, from the committee to whom were referred the charges against John Lacey, Esquire, as a justice of the peace in and for the county of Burlington, was read a second time ; whereupon—

On the question, Whether John Lacey, Esquire, shall be impeached ? It was carried in the negative, as follows :

## Nays.

Messrs. Beatty,  
Blanch,  
J. Cox,  
W. Coxe,  
Dey,  
Dunn,  
Frelinghuyzen,  
French,  
Gordon,  
Haas,  
Hankinson,

## Nays.

S. Harrison,  
Howell,  
Lippincott,  
M'Eowen,  
Mickle,  
Neilson,  
W. Pearson,  
Scudder,  
Van Duyn,  
Ward.

## Yea.

Messrs. Burgin,  
Burroughs,  
Corwin,  
A. Harrison,  
Kitchel,  
Knott,  
Linn,  
Parkhurst,

## Yea.

A. Pierson,  
Post,  
Seagrave,  
Shaver,  
A. Smith,  
M. Smith,  
Stout.

The house adjourned till to-morrow morning, ten of the clock.

*Wednesday, November 18, 1801.*

The house met.

Mr. Blanch, from the committee to whom was referred the bill, intitled, " An act to improve the navigation of the river Macheponix, from James

Abraham's grist-mill to the tide-waters on South-river," reported the same with sundry amendments; which was read, and ordered to be engrossed.

Mr. French, from the committee to whom was referred the bill, intitled, "A supplement to an act, intitled, "An act respecting coroners, passed 8th March, 1796" reported the same, with sundry amendments; which was read, and ordered to be engrossed.

The engrossed bill, intitled, "An act to raise the sum of thirty thousand dollars for the year of our Lord eighteen hundred and two," was read and compared:

On the question, Whether the same do pass? It was carried in the affirmative, as follows:

Yea.

Messrs. Beatty,  
Blanch,  
Burroughs,  
Corwin,  
J. Cox,  
W. Coxe,  
Dey,  
Dunn,  
Frelinghuysen,  
French,  
Gordon,  
Haas,  
Hankinson,  
S. Harrison,

Nay.

Messrs. Burgin,  
A. Harrison,  
Howell,  
Linn,  
Parkhurst,

Yea.

Messrs. Kitchel,  
Knott,  
Lacey,  
Lippincott,  
M' Eowen,  
Mickle,  
Neilson,  
W. Pearson,  
Scudder,  
Seagrave,  
M. Smith,  
Stout,  
Van Duyn,  
Ward.

Nay.

Messrs. A. Pierson,  
Post,  
Shaver,  
A. Smith.

*Ordered,* That the speaker do sign the same, and that the clerk do carry the said bill to the Council for concurrence.

A message from the Council, by Mr. Beatty, their secretary.

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have disagreed to the bill, intitled, "A supplement to the act, intitled, "An act to discourage the keeping of dogs, by imposing a tax on the owners or keepers thereof."

Mr. Beatty, presented a bill from Council, intitled, "An act to authorise the owners of a certain tract of wood-land therein named, to prevent horses, neat cattle and sheep, from running at large therein;" to which he requested the concurrence of this house.

Which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

The house resumed the consideration of the bill, intitled, "An act for securing the citizens of this state, against danger from gun-powder;" and after having gone through the said bill,

*Ordered,* That the same be engrossed.

Mr. Mickle, from the committee to whom was referred the petition of Stephen Scales, reported as follows:

That they have viewed the premises, and heard the parties, and are of opinion, that there is a sufficient quantity of water to supply the tan-yards, and for other purposes that may be eventually necessary for the inhabitants of Trenton; and it is the opinion of the committee, that the prayer of your petitioner ought to be granted.

By order of the committee,

ISAAC MICKLE.

Whereupon,

Mr. Mickle also presented the bill committed to the said committee, intitled, " An act to authorize Stephen Scales, of the city of Trenton, to convey the water from his spring, through the several streets of the said city ;" which bill was read, and after some time spent thereon,

*Ordered*, That the further consideration thereof be postponed.

The house adjourned to 3 o'clock P. M.

The House met.

The representation of Jacob Rickey, Esq. one of the justices of the peace of the county of Somerset, was read a second time and dismissed.

The house resumed the consideration of the bill, intitled, " An act to authorize Stephen Scales, of the city of Trenton, to convey the water from his spring, through the several streets of said city."

*Ordered*, That the said bill be engrossed.

A motion was made, that the house agree to the following resolution :

*Resolved*, as the opinion of this house, that notwithstanding the charges exhibited by Ebenezer Tucker, and others, against John Lacey, Esq. of the county of Burlington, and the report of the committee thereon, are not thought sufficient to justify an impeachment of said justice ; nevertheless, this house think it a duty incumbent on them to express their high disapprobation of the official conduct of John Lacey, as a justice of the peace ; and that the first, third and fourth charges, which have lately been exhibited before this house and proved to be true, are highly improper and incompatible with justice and the laws of this state.

On the question, Whether the house agree to the said resolution? It was carried in the affirmative as follows:

	Yea.	Yeas.
Messrs.	Burgin, Corwin, J. Cox, Haas, Hankinson, A. Harrison, Howell, Kitchel, Linn,	Mickle, Parkhurst, A. Pierson, Post, Seagrave, Shaver, A. Smith, M. Smith, Stout.
	Nay.	Nays.
Messrs.	Beatty, Blanch, W. Coxe, Dey, Dunn, Frelinghuyzen, French, Gordon, S. Harrison,	Knott, Lippincott, M'Eowen, Neilson, W. Pearson, Scudder, Van Duyn, Ward.

The speaker requested that his name might appear in the affirmative, on the above question.

The house adjourned till to-morrow morning ten o'clock.

*Thursday, November 19, 1801.*

The house met.

Mr. A Pierson, from the committee to whom was referred the bill, intitled, "An act to amend and

explain an act, intitled, " An act to enforce the collection of arrearages of taxes, in the counties of Morris and Burlington, reported the same with sundry amendments, and the following title : " An act, partially to repeal an act, intitled, " An act to enforce the collection of arrearages of taxes in the counties of Morris and Burlington, and for other purposes therein mentioned ; " which bill was read and ordered to be engrossed.

Mr. Frelinghuysen, from the committee, to whom was referred the petition from the county of Essex, praying an encrease of militia fines, and the referred bill relative to courts martial, and courts of enquiry, and who were instructed to report, whether any, and what alterations are necessary in the militia law, reported as follows :

That in their opinion, it is not expedient at present, to make any alterations in the militia laws of this state.

By order of the committee,

FRED : FRELINGHUYSEN.

Which report was read and agreed to.

Mr. Scudder, from the committee to whom were referred the accounts of Joseph Gaston, Esq. agent of forfeited estates, in the county of Sussex, together with the secretary's letter, accompanying the same, reported as follows :

That they have carefully investigated the business, and examined the accounts of the said Joseph Gaston, by which there appears to be due the said agent, from the state, the sum of £. 74 14 11  $\frac{3}{4}$  state money, equal in specie to £. 24 18 3  $\frac{3}{4}$  and propose the following order :

*Ordered*, That the secretary be directed to write to the said Joseph Gaston, Esq. and other agents

whose accounts may be in a similar situation, requesting them to bring forward such books and vouchers as the law requires, in order that the said accounts may be finally adjusted and settled.

By order of the committee,

JOHN A. SCUDDER.

Which report was read and agreed to.

The house resumed the consideration of the bill, intitled, "An act further to regulate fees;" and having gone through the said bill,

*Ordered*, That the same be engrossed.

The engrossed bill, intitled, "An act to authorise Stephen Scales, of the city of Trenton, to convey the water from his spring, through the several streets of said city," was read and compared.

On the question, Whether the same do pass? it was carried in the affirmative, as follows:

Yea.s.

Messrs. Beatty,  
Blanch,  
Burroughs,  
W. Coxe,  
Dey,  
Dunn,  
Frelinghuyzen,  
French,  
Gordon,  
S. Harrison,  
Lacey;  
Lippincott,  
M' Eowen,

Yea.s.

Messrs. Mickle,  
Neilson,  
Parkhurst,  
A. Pierson,  
W. Pearson,  
Post,  
Scudder,  
Seagrave,  
A. Smith,  
M. Smith,  
Van Duyn,  
Ward.

Nay.s.

Messrs. Burgin,  
Corwin,  
J. Cox,

Nay.s.

Messrs. Howell,  
Kitchel,  
Knott,

Nays.

Messrs. Linn,  
Hankinson,  
A. Harrison,

Nays.

Messrs. Haas,  
Shaver,  
Stout.

*Ordered*, That the speaker do sign the same, and that the clerk do carry the said bill to Council for concurrence.

The engrossed bill, intitled, "An act for the securing the citizens of this state against danger from gun-powder," was read and compared.

On the question, Whether the same do pass? It was carried in the negative, as follows:

Nays.

Messrs. Beatty,  
Burgin,  
Burroughs,  
Corwin,  
Hankinson,  
A. Harrison,  
Howell,  
Lippincott,  
Neilson,  
Parkhurst,

Nays.

Messrs. A. Pierson,  
Scudder,  
Seagrave,  
Shaver,  
A. Smith,  
M. Smith,  
Stout,  
Van Duyn,  
Ward.

Yea.

Messrs. Blanch,  
J. Cox,  
W. Coxe,  
Dey,  
Dunn,  
Frelinghuysen,  
French,  
Gordon,  
Haas,

Yea.

Messrs. S. Harrison,  
Kitchel,  
Knott,  
Lacey,  
Lippincott,  
M'Eowen,  
Mickle,  
W. Pearson,  
Seudder.

*Ordered*, That the said bill be dismissed.

Mr. Dunn, with leave, presented a bill, intitled,

"An act for the relief of insolvent debtors ;" which bill was read, and ordered a second reading.

The house adjourned to three o'clock P. M.

The house met.

The engrossed bill, intitled, "A supplement to an act, intitled, "An act respecting coroners, passed the eight day of March, seventeen hundred and ninety-six," was read and compared.

On the question, Whether the same do pass ? It was carried in the affirmative, as follows :

	Yea.		Yea.
Messrs.		Messrs.	
	Blanch,		Linn,
	Burgin,		Lippincott,
	Burroughs,		M'Eowen,
	Corwin,		Mickle,
	J. Cox,		Neilson,
	Dey,		Parkhurst,
	Dunn,		A. Pierson,
	French,		Post,
	Gordon,		Scudder,
	Haas,		Seagrave,
	Hankinson,		Shaver,
	A. Harrison,		M. Smith,
	Howell,		Stout,
	Kitchel,		Van Duyn,
	Knott,		Ward.
	Nays.		Nays.
Mr.	Beatty,	Mr. A. Smith.	

Ordered, That the speaker do sign the same, and that the clerk do carry the said bill to the Council, and request their concurrence therein.

A petition from Rensfelaer Ten Brook, confined in the goal of Hunterdon, praying the benefit of

an act of insolvency, was read, and ordered a second reading, with the bill before the house.

The bill, intitled, "A supplement to the act intitled, "An act respecting conveyances, passed June 7, 1799," was read a second time, and ordered a third reading.

The engrossed bill, intitled, "An act for the support of the government of the state of New-Jersey," was read and compared.

On the question, Whether the same do pass? It was carried in the negative, as follows:

Yea.

Messrs. Beatty,  
Blanch,  
Corwin,  
J. Cox,  
Dey,  
Dunn,  
Frelinghuysen,  
French,  
Gordon,

Nay.

Messrs. Burgin,  
Burroughs,  
Haas,  
Hankinson,  
A. Harrison,  
Howell,  
Knott,  
Linn,

Yea.

Messrs. Kitchel,  
Lippincott,  
M Eowen,  
Mickle,  
Neilson,  
Scudder,  
Van Duyn,  
Ward.

Nay.

Messrs. Parkhurst,  
A. Pierson,  
Post,  
Seagrave,  
Shaver,  
A. Smith,  
M. Smith,  
Stout.

*Ordered*, That the said bill be dismissed.

A message from the Council, by Mr. Beatty, their secretary:

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have passed the bill, intitled, "A

supplement to an act, intitled, " An act for the settlement and relief of the poor," with sundry amendments ; which bill, with the amendments, was read, the amendments agreed to, and the bill ordered to be re-engrossed.

Mr. Kitchel, with leave, presented a bill, intitled, " An act to provide for the payment of the officers of the government of the state of New-Jersey ;" which bill was read, and ordered a second reading.

The engrossed bill, intitled, " An act partially to repeal an act, intitled, " An act to enforce the collection of arrearages of taxes in the counties of Morris and Burlington, and for other purposes therein mentioned," was read and compared.

On the question, Whether the same do pass ? It was carried in the affirmative, as follows :

Yea.

Messrs. Burgin,  
Burroughs,  
J. Cox,  
Gordon,  
Haas,  
Hankinson,  
A. Harrison,  
Howell,  
Kitchel,  
Knott,  
Linn,  
M'Eowen,

Yea.

Messrs. Mickle,  
Parkhurst,  
A. Pierson,  
Post,  
Scudder,  
Seagrave,  
Shaver,  
A. Smith,  
M. Smith,  
Stout,  
Van Duyn.

Nay.

Messrs. Beatty,  
Blanch,  
W. Coxe,  
Dey,  
Dunn,  
Frelinghuysen,  
French,

Nay.

Messrs. S. Harrison,  
Lacey,  
Lippincott,  
Neilson,  
W. Pearson,  
Ward.

*Ordered,* That the speaker do sign the same, and that the clerk do carry the said bill to the Council for concurrence.

A petition from the Indians at Brothertown, in the county of Burlington, praying that their lands may be sold, and that they may have the proceeds thereof, to enable them to remove to Stockbridge, in the state of New-York, was read, with a number of papers accompanying the same, and committed to Messrs. Kitchel, Frelinghuyzen and Haas.

The house adjourned till to-morrow morning, ten of the clock.

*Friday, November 20, 1801.*

The house met.

Mr. M'Eowen, agreeably to leave given, and in behalf of the petitioners, presented a bill, intitled, "An act for the improvement of the navigation of the South Branch of Raritan River;" which bill was read, and ordered a second reading.

*Ordered,* That Messrs. Van Duyn, Stout and J. Cox, be a committee to examine the witnesses on the complaint against James Steelman, one of the justices of the peace of the county of Gloucester, and that the report of Mr. Edgar, with the charges against the said James Steelman, be committed to the said committee.

A petition from the administrators of John Hillyer, stating that the said John Hillyer, had entered into a contract for lands with James Smith, in his life time, and praying leave to present a bill to enable them to fulfil the contract so made on the

part of John Hillyer, was read, and committed to Messrs. W. Coxe, Linn and M. Smith.

A petition from Nottingham, in the county of Burlington, praying that a law may pass to increase the jurisdiction of a justice of the peace, was read, and committed to Messrs. Scudder, Seagrave and Shaver.

The bill, marked No. 3, in the list of unfinished business, intitled, "An act incorporating an Aqueduct Company, in the city of New-Brunswick," was read, and ordered a second reading.

The bill, intitled, "An act to provide for the payment of the officers of government of the state of New-Jersey," was read a second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

The bill, intitled, "An act for the relief of insolvent debtors," was read a second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

The bill, intitled, "An act to repeal an act, intitled, "An act partially to repeal an act therein named," was read a second time, and postponed.

The house adjourned to 3 o'clock, P. M.

The House met.

Mr. Howell, from the committee to whom the memorial and draught of a shop from the inspectors of the state prison, reported,

That your committee have examined the subject referred to them, and find by information obtained from the keeper of the state prison, that there are more than twelve prisoners idle, for the want of proper work-shops to employ them in ; that if accommodated with such places, they might be profitably employed in making of nails : it is the opinion of your committee, that provision should be made for

this purpose, by erecting a building in the yard, under the direction of the inspectors, agreeably to the plan exhibited by them with their memorial; and that a sum of money not exceeding two hundred dollars, should be appropriated to their use by law, to carry the same into execution, with as much dispatch as possible.

By order of the committee,

LEVI HOWELL.

Which report was read, and agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the same committee be directed to bring in a bill to appropriate money for that purpose.

Mr. Shaver, from the committee to whom were referred the petitions concerning hawkers and pedlers, reported—

That they conceive that the law passed March 7, 1797, is fully competent, if carried into execution.

By order of the committee,

ABRAHAM SHAVER.

Which report was read and agreed to.

The house resumed the consideration of the bill, intitled, "An act to repeal an act intitled, "An act partially to repeal part of an act therein named."

On the question, Whether the house agree to the second section of the said bill? It was carried in the affirmative, as follows:

Yea.	Yea.
Messrs. Burgin,	Hankinson,
Burroughs,	A. Harrison,
Corwin,	Howell,
J. Cox,	Kitchel,
Haas,	Knott,

## Yea.

Messrs. Linn,  
Mickle,  
Parkhurst,  
A. Pierson,  
Post,

## Nay.

Messrs. Beatty,  
Blanch,  
W. Coxe,  
Dey,  
Frelinghuysen,  
French,  
Gordon,  
S. Harrison,

## Yea.

Messrs. Seagrave,  
Shaver,  
A. Smith.  
M. Smith,  
Stout.

## Nay.

Messrs. Lacey,  
Lippincott,  
McEowen,  
Neilson,  
W. Pearson,  
Scudder,  
Van Duyn,  
Ward.

*Ordered*, That the said bill be engrossed.

Mr. W. Pearson, with leave, presented a bill, intitled, "A supplement to an act, intitled, "An act respecting slaves," which bill was read, and ordered a second reading.

Mr. Coxe, from the committee to whom was referred the petition from the administrators, &c. of John Hillyer, presented a bill, intitled, "An act authorizing Euphemia Hillyer, administratrix, and John Ralloone, administrator of John Hillyer, deceased, to fulfil a contract for the sale of lands made by the said John Hillyer with James Smith," which bill was read, and ordered a second reading.

A message from the Council, by Mr. Beatty, their secretary.

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have passed the bill, intitled, "An act to raise the sum of thirty thousand dollars for the year of our Lord eighteen hundred and two;" and the bill, intitled, "a supplement to an act, intitled,

"An act respecting coroners, passed the eight day of March, seventeen hundred and ninety-six."

Mr. Beatty presented the bill, intitled, "An act to incorporate the persons therein named and their associates, under the name of the Soho Copper-Mine and Metal Company," with the amendments made thereto by Council, which were read.

*Ordered*, That the said bill and amendments, be committed to Messrs. Parkhurst, Neilson and Scudder.

The bill, intitled, "A supplement to the act, intitled, "An act respecting the court of chancery," was read a second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

The engrossed bill, intitled, "An act to provide for the payment of the officers of government of the state of New-Jersey, was read and compared.

On the question, Whether the same do pass? It was carried in the affirmative, as follows:

Yea.

Messrs. Beatty,  
Blanch,  
Burroughs,  
Corwin,  
J. Cox,  
W. Coxe,  
Dey,  
Dunn,  
Frelinghuysen,  
French,  
Gordon,  
Haas,  
Hankinson,  
S. Harrison,  
Howell,  
Knott,

Yea.

Messrs. Kitchel,  
Lacey,  
Linn,  
Lippincott,  
M' Eowen,  
Mickle,  
Neilson,  
W. Pearson,  
Scudder,  
Seagrave,  
Shaver,  
A. Smith,  
M. Smith,  
Stout,  
Van Duyn,  
Ward.

Nays.	Nays.
Messrs. Burgin,	Messrs. Parkhurst,
A. Harrison,	Post,
A. Pierson,	

*Ordered*, That the speaker do sign the same, and that the clerk do carry the said bill to the Council for concurrence.

The house adjourned till to-morrow morning ten of the clock.

*Saturday, November 21, 1801.*

The house met.

The bill, intitled, "An act for the improvement of the navigation of the South Branch of Raritan river," was read a second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

The bill, intitled, "An act incorporating an Aqueduct company in the city of New-Brunswick," was read a second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A petition from Mendham, in the county of Morris, stating that their arrearages of taxes amount to upwards of 4000 dollars, and praying such alterations in the law of this state, as will permit their arrearages to be quotaed on them in four annual payments, was read, and committed to Messrs. S. Harrison, Burroughs and Howell.

Mr. Kitchel, from the committee to whom was referred the application of the Indians at Brotherton, presented a bill, intitled, "An act to provide for the Indians at Brotherton, in the county of Burlington," which bill was read, and ordered a second reading.

A representation from Joshua Morgan of the county of Salem, complaining of the official con-

duct of Clement Acton, Esquire, clerk of the said county, was read, and committed to Messrs. A. Smith, Parkhurst and Beatty.

Mr. Howell, from the committee appointed for that purpose, presented a bill, intitled, "An act to increase the means of employing the prisoners confined in the state prison ;" which bill was read, and ordered a second reading.

Mr. Scudder, from the committee to whom was referred the several petitions praying that the jurisdiction of justices may be increased, presented a bill, intitled, "A supplement to an act, constituting courts for the trial of small causes, passed the 15th day of March, 1798 ;" which bill was read, and ordered a second reading.

The house adjourned till Monday morning, ten of the clock.

*Monday, November 23, 1801.*

The house met.

Mr. Parkhurst, with leave, presented a bill, intitled, "An act to prevent the trespassing of cattle and horses on salt meadows and marshes, lying within the township of Newark ;" which bill was read, and ordered a second reading.

The engrossed bill, intitled, "An act to improve the navigation of the river Macheponix, from James Abraham's grist-mill, to the tide waters on South River," was read and compared.

*Resolved unanimously,* That the same do pass.

The engrossed bill, intitled, "An act further to regulate fees," was read and compared.

On the question, Whether the same do pass ? It was carried in the affirmative, as follows :

## Yea.

Messrs. Beatty,  
Blanch,  
Corwin,  
W. Coxe,  
Dey,  
Dunn,  
French,  
Gordon,  
Haas,  
A. Harrison,  
S. Harrison,  
Howell,  
Kitchel,  
Knott,  
Lacey,

## Nays.

Messrs. Burgin,  
Burroughs,  
Hankinson,

## Yea.

Messrs. Lippincott,  
M' Eowen,  
Mickle,  
Neilson,  
Parkhurst,  
A. Pierson,  
W. Pearson,  
Post,  
Scudder,  
Seagrave,  
A. Smith,  
M. Smith,  
Stout,  
Van Duyn,  
Ward.

## Nays.

Messrs. Linn,  
Shaver.

The engrossed bill, intitled, "An act for the relief of insolvent debtors," was read and compared.

On the question, Whether the same do pass ? It was carried in the affirmative, as follows :

## Yea.

Messrs. Beatty,  
Blanch,  
Burgin,  
Burroughs,  
Corwin,  
W. Coxe,  
Dunn,  
French,

## Yea.

Messrs. Linn,  
Lippincott,  
Mickle,  
Neilson,  
Parkhurst,  
A. Pierson,  
W. Pearson,  
Post,

Yea.	Yea.
<b>Messrs.</b> Gordon,	<b>Messrs.</b> Scudder,
A. Harrison,	Seagrave,
S. Harrison,	M. Smith,
Knott,	Ward.
Lacey,	

Nay.	Nay.
<b>Messrs.</b> Dey,	<b>Messrs.</b> M'Eowen,
Haas,	Shaver,
Hankinson,	A. Smith,
Howell,	Stout,
Kitchel,	Van Duyn.

*Ordered*, That the speaker do sign the said bill, and that the clerk do carry the same to Council, and request their concurrence therein.

The engrossed bill, intitled, "A supplement to an act, intitled, "An act for the settlement and relief of the poor," was read, and compared.

*Resolved unanimously*, That the same do pass.

*Ordered*, That the speaker do sign the same, and that the clerk do carry the said bill to Council and acquaint them that the same is passed by this house, with their amendments.

Mr. S. Harrison, from the committee to whom was referred the petition from Mendham, in the county of Morris, presented the draught of a bill, intitled, "An act to alter and amend part of an act, intitled, "An act to enforce the collection of arrearages of taxes due from the counties of Burlington and Morris, and for other purposes," which was read and postponed.

A petition from the city of Burlington, praying that a law may pass to prevent gunpowder being stored in large quantities in popular places; was read and ordered a second reading.

Mr. Parkhurst, with leave, presented a bill, intitled, "An act for the more equal representation of the counties of Essex and Salem, in the General Assembly of this State;" which was read.

On the question, whether the same be read a second time? It was carried in the negative.

*Ordered*, That the said bill be dismissed.

A message from the Council, by Mr. Beatty, their secretary.

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have passed the bill, intitled, "An act partially to repeal an act, intitled, "An act to enforce the collection of arrearages of taxes in the counties of Morris and Burlington, and for other purposes thereinmentioned ;" without amendment.

The Council have passed a bill, intitled, "An act relative to foreign statutes and reports ;" which bill Mr. Beatty presented, and to which he requested the concurrence of this house.

Which bill was read and ordered a seconderading.

Mr. Parkhurst, from the committee to whom was referred the bill, intitled, "An act to incorporate the persons therein named and their associates, under the name of the Soho Copper Mine and Metal Company, with the amendments made thereto by Council ; reported the same, which was read, the amendments agreed to, and the bill ordered to be engrossed.

The house adjourned to 3 o'clock, P. M.

The house met.

The members withdrew to attend a joint-meeting, and having returned, the Speaker resumed the chair, and the house adjourned till to-morrow morning, ten of the clock.

*Tuesday, November 24, 1801.*

The house met.

A petition from the relations of the children of John Vroom, and Anne, his wife, late of Bridgewater in the county of Somerset, deceased, praying for reasons therein contained, that a law may pass to direct the sale of the real estate of the said John Vroom and wife, by Cornelius Van Horn, and that the monies thence arising may be put out at interest for the benefit of the said children, was read and committed to Messrs. Mickle, Post and Dey.

The members withdrew to attend a joint-meeting, and having returned, the speaker resumed the chair, and the house adjourned to 3 o'clock, P. M.

The house met.

The engrossed bill, intitled, "An act incorporating an Aqueduct Company, in the city of New-Brunswick," was read and compared.

*Resolved unanimously,* That the same do pass.

*Ordered,* That the speaker do sign the same, and that the clerk do carry the said bill to Council for concurrence.

The members withdrew to attend a joint meeting, and having returned, the speaker resumed the chair, and the house adjourned till to-morrow morning, ten of the clock.

*Wednesday, November 25, 1801.*

The house met.

The engrossed bill, intitled, "An act for the improvement of the navigation of the south branch of Raritan River," was read and compared.

*Resolved unanimously,* That the same do pass.

*Ordered,* That the speaker do sign the same, and that the clerk do carry the said bill to the Council for concurrence.

The bill, intitled, "An act to alter and amend part of an act, intitled, "An act to enforce the collection of arrearages of taxes due from the counties of Burlington and Morris, and for other purposes," was read a second time and ordered to be engrossed.

A petition from John Duryee, stating that he holds lands under a title from this state, which lands were forfeited to and vested in this state during the revolutionary war, and praying that a law may pass to direct, that, should any person who may hold a title paramount to this state, at any time recover from him, they should be compelled to pay him for the improvements he has or may have made on the same, was read and committed to Messrs. Post, Haas, and French.

Mr. Mickle, from the committee to whom was referred the representation of the several persons, relations to the children of John Vroom and Anne his wife, reported as follows:

That the petitioners have leave to present a bill, agreeably to the prayer of their petition, on the second Wednesday of the next fitting of the Legislature,

they giving at least four weeks previous notice, by advertisements, in at least four of the most public places in the township or townships wherin the lands do lie, and also for the same length of time in the newspaper printed at New-Brunswick, informing those concerned of their particular application.

By order of the committee,

ISAAC MICKLE.

Which report was read and agreed to.

A memorial from the widow and others, interested in the real estate of Gabriel Ludlum, deceased, praying for reasons therein set forth, that the administrators of the personal estate of the said deceased, may be authorised by law to make titles, &c. for lands sold by the deceased in his life time, and that they may also be authorised to sell his lands generally for the benefit of his legal representatives, was read with a number of affidavits accompanying the same—whereupon,

*Ordered*, That the petitioners have leave to present a bill to answer the prayer of their petition, on the second Tuesday of the next sitting, they previously advertising the purport of the bill they mean to present, at least three weeks in five of the most public places in the county of Sussex, and also for the same length of time in the newspaper printed at Newark, called the Centinel of Freedom.

The petition from the city of Burlington, respecting gun-powder, read on the 23d instant, was read a second time—whereupon,

Mr. Coxe, with leave, presented a bill to answer the prayer of the said petition, intitled, "An act relative to gun-powder;" which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

The bill, intitled, "An act to authorise Euphemia Hillyer, administratrix, and John Rattoone, administrator of John Hillyer, deceased, to fulfil a contract for the sale of the lands made by the said John Hillyer with James Smith, was read a second time and ordered to be engrossed.

A petition from John Perrine, was read and dismissed.

The bill, intitled, "An act to prevent the trespassing of cattle and horses on salt meadows and marshes, lying within the township of Newark," was read a second time, and committed to Messrs. Corwin, A. Pierson and Van Duyn.

The house adjourned to 3 o'clock, P. M.

The house met.

The engrossed bill, intitled, "An act to alter and amend part of an act, intitled, "An act to enforce the collection of arrearages of taxes due from the counties of Burlington and Morris, and for other purposes," was read and compared.

On the question, whether the same do pass? It was carried in the affirmative, as follows:

Yea.	Yea.
Messrs. Beatty,	Hankinson,
Burroughs,	A. Harrison,
Burgin,	S. Harrison,
Corwin,	Howell,
W. Coxe,	Kitchel,
Dunn,	Knot,
Frelinghuysen,	Lacey,
French,	Linn,
Gordon,	Lippincott,
Haas,	M'Eowen,

Yeas.	Yeas.
Messrs. W. Pearson, Polt, Muckle, Newton, Parkhurst, A. Pierson,	Scudder, Seagrave, Shaver, A. Smith, M. Smith, Stout.
Nays.	Nays.
Messrs. Blanch, Dey,	Messrs. Van Duyn, Ward.

*Ordered*, That the speaker do sign the same, and that the clerk do carry the said bill to Council for concurrence.

The members withdrew to attend a joint-meeting and having returned, the speaker resumed the chair and the house adjourned till to-morrow morning, ten of the clock.

*Thursday, November 26, 1801.*

The house met.

A petition from Jacobus Blauvelt, and Isaac Perry, stating a demand against the forfeited estate of John Harring, was read and committed to Messrs. Lippincott, Stout and Burgin.

The bill, intitled, "An act to authorise the owners of a certain tract of wood land therein named, to prevent horses, neat cattle and sheep from running at large therein ;" was read a second time and referred to the next sitting.

A petition from Susanna Hunn, of the county of Middlesex, stating that she purchased of James Cox, in his life time, a dwelling house and small lot of land, situate in Rahway, for which she had paid £.300 the consideration money, and had not obtained a title deed therefor, and praying that the administrators of the personal estate of the said James Cox, may complete the title to her, was read.

*Ordered*, That the petit ione r have leave to present a bill on the second Wednesday of the next sitting, to answer the prayer of the said petition, she previously advertising the purport of the bill she means to present, for at least three weeks, in five of the most public places in the county of Middlesex, and for the same length of time in the newspaper printed in New-Brunswick.

The speaker laid before the house a bond given by James Salter, as Treasurer, with sureties for the faithful performance of the said office of Treasurer.

*Resolved*, That this house do approve of the said bond and sureties.

*Ordered*, that the clerk do carry the said bond to the Council.

The bill, intitled, "An act to constitute and appoint commissioners to sell and convey certain lands held in trust for the Indian natives at Brotherton, in Evesham township, in the county of Burlington, and to appropriate the monies thence arising for the relief of the said Indians," was read a second time, debated, and ordered to be engrossed.

A message from the Council, by Mr. Beatty, their secretary.

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have passed the bill, intitled, "An act to provide for the payment of the officers of government of the state of New-Jersey.

The house adjourned to 3 o'clock, P. M.

The House met.

The engrossed bill, intitled, "An act to repeal an act, intitled, "An act partially to repeal part of an act therein named," was read, and compared.

On the question, Whether the same do pass ? It was carried in the affirmative, as follows :

Yea.

Messrs. Burgin,  
Burroughs,  
Corwin,  
W. Coxe,  
French,  
Gordon,  
Haas,  
Hankinson,  
A. Harrison,  
S. Harrison,  
Kitchel,  
Knott,  
Lacey,  
Linn,

Nay.

Messrs. Blanch,  
Dey,  
Frelinghuysen,

Yea.

Messrs. M' Eowen,  
Mickle,  
Neilson,  
Parkhurst,  
A. Pierson,  
W. Pearson,  
Post,  
Scudder,  
Seagrave,  
Shaver,  
M. Smith,  
Stout.  
Van Duyn.

Nay.

Messrs. Lippincott,  
Ward.

*Ordered*, That the speaker do sign the same, and that the clerk do carry the said bill to the Council for concurrence.

Mr. A. Smith, from the committee to whom was referred the complaint of Joshua Morgan, respecting the official conduct of Clement Acton, clerk of the court in the county of Salem, reported—

That they have examined the said Joshua Morgan, on oath, and committed his testimony to writing ; your committee do herewith report the same, together with a certified copy of the bill of cost, in order that every member may possess the same information on the subject as your committee have obtained ; the charges of exorbitantly taxing a bill of cost when he the said Acton knew it was erroneous, appears to be proved by the testimony of the said Joshua Morgan, your committee beg leave to propose, that the following question be taken, to wit : Shall Clement Acton, clerk of the county of Salem, be impeached ?

By order of the committee,

ABIJAH SMITH.

Which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

The re-engrossed bill, intitled, “ An act to incorporate the persons therein named and their associates, under the name of the Soho Company,” was read and compared.

On the question, Whether the same do pass ? It was carried in the affirmative, as follows :

Yea.	Yea.
Messrs. Blanch,	Messrs. W. Coxe,
Burgin,	Dey,
Burroughs,	Dunn,
Corwin,	Frelinghuylen,
J. Cox,	French,

Yea.	Yea.
Messrs. Gordon,	Messrs. Parkhurst,
Hankinson,	A. Pierson,
A. Harrison,	W. Pearson,
S. Harrison,	Post,
Kitchel,	Scudder,
Knott,	Seagrave,
Lacey,	Shaver,
Linn,	A. Smith,
Lippincott,	M. Smith,
M'Eowen,	Stout,
Mickle,	Ward.
Neilson,	

Nays.

Messrs. Haas,  
Howell,

Nays.

Mr. Van Duyn.

*Ordered*, That the speaker do sign the same, and that the clerk do carry the said bill to the Council, and acquaint them that the said bill is passed by this house, with their amendments.

The bill, intitled, "An act relative to gun-powder," was read a second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

Mr. Post, from the committee to whom was referred the petition of John Duryee, reported—

That it is the opinion of your committee, that the said petitioner ought to have leave to present a bill to answer the prayer of his petition.

By order of the committee,  
RALPH POST.

Which report was read, with the petition of John Duryee, and the report disagreed to.

*Ordered*, That the petitioner have leave to withdraw his papers.

The engrossed bill, intitled, "An act to con-

stitute and appoint commissioners to sell and convey certain lands held in trust for the Indian natives at Brotherton, in Evesham township, in the county of Burlington, and to appropriate the monies thence arising for the benefit of the said Indians, was read and compared.

On the question, Whether the same do pass? It was carried in the affirmative, as follows:

Yea.

Messrs. Blanch,  
Burroughs,  
J. Cox,  
W. Coxe,  
Dey,  
Dunn,  
Frelinghuysen,  
French,  
Gordon,  
Haas,  
A. Harrison,  
S. Harrison,

Yea.

Messrs. Kitchel,  
Knott,  
Lacey,  
Linn,  
Lippincott,  
Mickle,  
Neilson,  
Parkhurst,  
W. Pearson,  
Scudder,  
Stout,  
Ward.

Nay.

Messrs. Birgin,  
Corwin,  
Hankinson,  
Howell,  
McEowen,  
A. Pierson,

Nay.

Messrs. Post,  
Seagrave,  
Shaver,  
A. Smith,  
M. Smith,  
Van Duyne.

*Ordered*, That the speaker do sign the same, and that the clerk do carry the said bill to the Council, for concurrence.

A message from the Council, by Mr. Beatty, their secretary.

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have passed the bill, intitled, "An

act to alter and amend part of an act, intitled, "An act to enforce the collection of arrearages of taxes due from the counties of Burlington and Morris, and for other purposes," without amendment.

The bill, intitled, "A supplement to the act, intitled, "An act respecting conveyances, passed June 7, 1799," was read a third time.

On the question, Whether the same do pass ? It was carried in the affirmative, as follows :

## Yea.

Messrs. Blanch,  
Corwin,  
J. Cox,  
W. Coxe,  
Dey,  
Dunn,  
Frelinghuysen,  
French,  
Gordon,  
Haas,  
Hankinson,  
A. Harrison,  
S. Harrison,  
Howell,  
Kitchel,  
Knott,

## Yea.

Messrs. Lacey,  
Lippincott,  
M' Eowen,  
Mickle,  
Neilson,  
Parkhurst,  
A. Pierson,  
W. Pearson,  
Post,  
Scudder,  
Seagrave,  
Shaver,  
M. Smith,  
Stout,  
Van Duyn.  
Ward.

## Nay.

Messrs. Burgin,  
Burroughs,

## Nay.

Messrs. Linn,  
A. Smith.

*Ordered*, That the speaker do sign the same, and that the clerk do wait on the Council, and acquaint them that the said bill is passed by this house, without amendment.

The house adjourned till to-morrow morning ten of the clock.

*Friday, November 27, 1801.*

The house met.

Mr. Knott, from the committee to whom was referred the charges against George Bockover, Esq. as a justice of the peace in and for the county of Morris, brought in a report, which was read, and with the papers accompanying the same, were committed to Messrs. Knott, Lippincott and Mickle.

The bill, intitled, "An act relative to foreign statutes and reports," was read a second time, and ordered a third reading.

The report of Mr. A. Smith, of yesterday, on the charges exhibited against Clement A<sup>t</sup>ton, was read a second time, and the testimony of L. H. Stockton, Esq. was taken.

*Ordered,* That the further consideration thereof be postponed.

The engrossed bill, intitled, "An act to authorize Euphemia Hillyer, administratrix, and John Rattoone, Administrator of John Hillyer, deceased, to fulfil a contract for the sale of lands, made by the said John Hillyer with James Smith," was read and compared.

*Resolved unanimously,* That the same do pass.

*Ordered,* That the speaker do sign the same, and that the clerk do carry the said bill to Council, and request their concurrence therein.

The bill, intitled, "A supplement to the act, intitled, "An act making provision for working and repairing the highways," passed March the 16th, 1798, was read a second time, and committed to Messrs. Gordon, Ward and Kitchel.

The house adjourned to 3 o'clock, P. M.

The house met.

The bill, intitled, "A supplement to an act, constituting courts for the trial of small causes, passed the 15th day of March, 1798," was read a second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A message from the Council, by Mr. Beatty, their secretary.

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have passed the bill, intitled, "An act for the relief of insolvent debtors;" and the bill, intitled, "An act incorporating an Aqueduct Company in the city of New-Brunswick," without amendment.

Mr. Beatty returned the bill, intitled, "An act for the improvement of the navigation of the south branch of Raritan River," with sundry amendments made thereto. Also the bill, intitled, "An act further to regulate fees," with sundry amendments made thereto, to which bills, as amended, he requested the concurrence of this house.

Which bills were read with the amendments, and the amendments agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the said bills be re-engrossed.

A petition from Eliakim Little, late an officer in the military service of the United States, and an officer of this state in the service of the United States, during the revolutionary war, stating that he was disabled in the service, and praying an allowance from government, was read, and committed to Messrs. Blanch, Lacey and J. Cox.

On motion,

*Ordered*, That the speaker have power to convene the General Assembly during the session, whenever any extraordinary occasions shall, in his opinion,

render it necessary, by causing public notice of the time when the legislature are required to meet, in the several newspapers published in this state, and some one of the papers published in Philadelphia, which circulates in this state, at least three weeks previous to the time of such meeting, which shall be deemed sufficient notice to the respective members of this house for their attendance.

*Resolved*, That the treasurer deliver up the bond given by Robert Stockton and Christopher Longstreet, conditioned for the faithful appropriation of the sum of two hundred pounds, for the repair of the post-road across Rocky-Hill, they having settled their accounts.

*Ordered*, That the clerk do carry the said resolution to the Council for concurrence.

Mr. A. Harrison, from the committee to whom was referred the petition and papers of Nathaniel Leonard, reported—

That having examined the petition and papers, and also the several laws made on that subject as well as the returns made in the book in the secretary's office, find that by several laws enacted for the purpose of ascertaining the depreciation of pay due to each officer and soldier belonging to the regiments raised for New-Jersey, commissioners were appointed, to wit : James Caldwell, Frederick Frelinghuyzen and John Mehelm, Esquires to examine into the sum due to each individual, stating the time of enlistment, length of service, rank and pay of the officers and soldiers belonging to the several regiments then in the service of the United States, and belonging to the state of New-Jersey ; and after settling their accounts, and the sums due to each individual for the depreciation of their pay, and to make a fair return of the same to the auditor of the

state of New-Jersey, and by the same law directed their treasurer to issue notes for the payment of the same, to be delivered to the person to whom due, or to his order.

Your committee have also examined the aforesaid books in the secretary's office, and find that sergeant Bredon, quarter master sergeant in the first regiment of New-Jersey, was enlisted on the first of February, 1777, and that the depreciation of his pay amounted to £.110 16 8 as fairly audited and entered, stand to the credit of the said Bredon, in said books, in the secretary's office.

And further, on examining the papers of the said Nathaniel Leonard, laid before your committee, find that the said Leonard has a full and proper power to draw the monies due to the said Bredon; and also, that full proof is made to the committee, that the said Elias Bredon, stated in the said power of attorney, was the same quarter master sergeant, that served in the first regiment of the troops belonging to New-Jersey.

Your committee are therefore of opinion, that the depreciation of pay was justly due to the said Elias Bredon, and that Nathaniel Leonard, being his lawful representative, ought to have a law passed to enable him to draw the same from the treasury of this state.

By order of the committee,

AMOS HARRISON.

Which report was read, and ordered a second reading.

The house adjourned till to-morrow morning, ten of the clock.

Saturday, November 28, 1801.

The house met.

Mr. Lippincott, from the committee to whom was referred the petition and papers of Jacobus Blauvelt and Isaac Perry, reported—

That they have examined the same, and the laws on that subject, and are of opinion that the prayer of the petitioners ought not to be granted.

By order of the committee,

JOB LIPPINCOTT.

Which report was read, and agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the petitioners have leave to withdraw their papers.

A message from Council, by Mr. Beatty, their secretary.

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have passed a bill, intitled, "A supplement to the act, intitled, An act respecting the court of chancery ;" which bill he presented, and to which he requested the concurrence of this house.

The said bill was read : On the question, Whether the said bill be read a second time ? It was carried in the negative.

*Ordered*, That the clerk do wait on the Council, and acquaint them that the said bill is rejected by this house.

Mr. Gordon, from the committee to whom was referred the bill, intitled, "A supplement to the act, intitled, An act making provision for working and repairing the highways, passed March 16, 1798," reported the same with sundry amendments, which was read, and ordered to be engrossed.

The bill, intitled, "An act to increase the means of employing the prisoners confined in the state-prison," was read a second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

The bill, intitled, "A supplement to an act, intitled, "An act respecting slaves," was read a second time and dismissed.

Mr. Burgin, from the committee appointed for that purpose, presented a bill, intitled, "An act to defray sundry incidental charges;" which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

The house adjourned to 3 o'clock, P. M.

The House met.

The bill, intitled, "An act to defray sundry incidental charges," was read a second time, debated and ordered to be engrossed.

The house adjourned till Monday morning, ten of the clock.

*Monday, November 30, 1801.*

The house met.

The engrossed bill, intitled, "A supplement to an act constituting courts, for the trial of small causes," passed the fifteenth day of March, seventeen hundred and ninety eight, was read and compared.

On the question, Whether the same do pass? It was carried in the affirmative, as follows:

Yea.

Messrs. Burgin,  
Burroughs,

Yea.

Messrs. Corwin,  
J. Cox,

Yea.

Messrs. Gordon,  
Haas,  
Hankinson,  
A. Harrison,  
Howell,  
Kitchel,  
Knott,  
Linn,  
Mickle,

Nays.

Messrs. Blanch,  
Dey,  
French,  
Lacey,  
Lippincott,

Yea.

Messrs. Parkhurst,  
A. Pierson,  
Post,  
Seagrave,  
Shaver,  
A. Smith,  
M. Smith,  
Stout.

Nays.

Messrs. M'Eowen,  
Neilson,  
W. Pearson,  
Van Duyn,  
Ward.

*Ordered,* That the speaker do sign the same, and that the clerk do carry the said bill to the Council for concurrence.

Mr. Knott, from the committee to whom were re-committed the charges against George Bockover, Esq. justice of the peace, in and for the county of Morris, reported as follows:

That it appears to your committee, from information which they have received, that one of the principle charges against the said Bockover, is without foundation, and the others of so trivial a nature, that, in the opinion of your committee, the papers relative to said justice ought to be dismissed.

By order of the committee,

PETER KNOTT.

Which report was read and agreed to.

Mr. Van Duyn, from the committee to whom was referred the charges against James Steelman and

Jeremiah Smith, Esqrs. two justices of the peace, in and for the county of Gloucester, having proceeded to examine the witnesses in support of the charges exhibited against James Steelman, reported.

That in their opinion, the charges, so far as relate to his official conduct, as a justice of the peace, are not well supported by evidence, that the last charge, to wit: That he took acknowledgments of deeds and conveyances, as one of the masters in the court of Chancery—although highly criminal in its nature, and dangerous in its consequences, is not a subject of legislative investigation.

That no witnesses having appeared to substantiate the charges against Jeremiah Smith, Esq. they suggest the propriety of dismissing the same.

By order of the committee,

JAMES VAN DUYN.

Which report was read and agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the petition, be dismissed.

The engrossed bill, intitled, "A supplement to the act, intitled, "An act making provision for working and repairing the highways;" passed March 16, 1798, was read and compared.

*Resolved unanimously*, That the same do pass.

The engrossed bill, intitled, "An act to increase the means of employing the prisoners confined in the state-prison," was read and compared.

On the question, whether the same do pass? It was carried in the affirmative, as follows:

Yea.

Messrs. Blanch,  
Burgin,  
Burroughs,

Yea.

Messrs. Corwin,  
J. Cox,  
W. Coxe,

## Yeaſ.

Meffrs. Dey,  
Dunn,  
Frelinghuyſen,  
French,  
Gordon,  
Haas,  
Hankinson,  
A. Harrison,  
Kitchel,  
Knott.  
Lippincott,  
M·Eowen,  
Mickle,

## Nayſ.

Meffrs. Linn,  
Howell,

## Yeaſ.

Meffrs. Neilſon,  
Parkhurst,  
A. Pierſon,  
W. Pearson,  
Post,  
Scudder,  
Seagrave,  
A. Smith,  
M. Smith,  
Stout,  
Van Duyn,  
Ward,

## Nayſ.

Mr. Shaver.

The re-engrossed bill, intitled, "An act further to regulate fees," was read and compared.

On the question, whether the same do pass? It was carried in the affirmative, as follows:

## Yeaſ.

Meffrs. Blanch,  
J. Cox,  
W. Coxe,  
Dey,  
Frelinghuyſen,  
French,  
Gordon,  
Haas,  
Lacey,  
Lippincott,

## Nayſ.

Meffrs. Burgin,  
Burroughs,

## Yeaſ.

Meffrs. M·Eowen,  
Mickle,  
Neilſon,  
Parkhurst,  
W. Pearson,  
Scudder,  
Stout,  
Van Duyn,  
Ward,

## Nayſ.

Meffrs. Hankinson,  
A. Harrison,

## Nays.

Messrs. Howell,  
Kitchel,  
Knott,  
Linn,  
A. Pierson,

## Nays.

Messrs. Post,  
Seagrave,  
Shaver,  
A. Smith,  
M. Smith.

*Ordered*, That the speaker do sign the same, and that the clerk do carry the said bill to the Council, and acquaint them that the said bill is passed by this house with their amendments.

The engrossed bill, intitled, "A supplement to the act intitled, "An act respecting the court of chancery," was read and compared.

On the question, Whether the same do pass ? It was carried in the affirmative, as follows :

## Yea.

Messrs. Beatty,  
Blanch,  
Burgin,  
Burroughs,  
J. Cox,  
W. Coxe,  
Dey,  
Frelinghuysen,  
French,  
Haas,  
Kitchel,  
Knott,  
Lacey,  
Lippincott,

## Yea.

Messrs. M' Eowen,  
Mickle,  
Neilson,  
A. Pierson,  
W. Pearson,  
Post,  
Scudder,  
Seagrave,  
A. Smith,  
M. Smith,  
Stout,  
Van Duyn,  
Ward.

## Nays.

Messrs. Corwin,  
Gordon,  
Hankinson,  
A. Harrison,

## Nays.

Messrs. Howell,  
Linn,  
Parkhurst,  
Shaver.

*Ordered*, That the speaker do sign the same, and that the clerk do carry the said bill to the Council, and request their concurrence therein.

The re-engrossed bill, intitled, "An act for the improvement of the navigation of the south branch of Raritan River," was read and compared.

*Resolved unanimously*, That the same do pass.

*Ordered*, That the speaker do sign the same, and that the clerk do carry the said bill to Council, and inform them that the same is passed by this house, with their amendments.

The engrossed bill, intitled, "An act relative to gun-powder," was read and compared.

On the question, Whether the same do pass ? It was carried in the affirmative, as follows :

Yea.	Yea.
Messrs. Beatty,	Linn,
Blanch,	Lippincott,
Burroughs,	M'Eowen,
J. Cox,	Mickle,
W. Coxe,	Neilson,
Dey,	Parkhurst,
Dunn,	A. Pierson,
Frelinghuysen,	W. Pearson,
French,	Post,
Gordon,	Scudder,
Haas,	Seagrave,
Hankinson,	Shaver,
A. Harrison,	M. Smith,
Kitchel,	Stout,
Knott,	Ward.
Lacey,	

Nay.	Nay.
Messrs. Burgin,	Messrs. A. Smith,
Corwin,	Van Duyn.
Howell,	

*Ordered*, That the speaker do sign the said bill, and that the clerk do carry the same to the Council for concurrence.

Mr. Parkhurst, with leave, presented a bill, intitled, "An act for the more equal representation of the county of Essex in the General Assembly of this state;" which bill was read, and ordered a second reading.

*Resolved*, That the treasurer of the state be directed to call upon Richard Howell, Esquire, agent appointed by the act of the legislature of the 21st day of February, 1799, to purchase field artillery, and to receive from him the balance of money unexpended, together with the materials remaining on hand, purchased by him; and also, the statements of all expenditures made by said agent, in the prosecution of his agency, and that the treasurer report thereon to the Legislature at their next sitting.

*Ordered*, That the clerk do carry the said resolution to the Council for concurrence.

The house adjourned to 3 o'clock, P. M.

The house met.

The report of Mr. A. Harrison, on the petition of Nathaniel Leonard, was read a second time, and re-committed to the committee who reported the same.

The house resumed the consideration of the report of Mr. A. Smith, on the charges exhibited ag. inst Clement Acton, Esq. clerk of the county of Salem, and having taken the testimony of Robert Hunt, Esq.

*Ordered*, That the further consideration thereof be postponed until the second Wednesday of the next siting.

A message from the Council, by Mr. Beatty, their secretary.

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have passed the bill, intitled, "An act to repeal an act, entitled, "An act partially to repeal part of an act therein named," with sundry amendments; which bill, with the amendments, he presented, and to which he requested the concurrence of this house.

Which bill was read, the amendments agreed to, and the bill ordered to be re-engrossed.

Mr. Beatty, informed the house that Council have passed the bill, intitled, "An act to authorise Stephen Scales, of the city of Trenton, to convey the water from his spring through the several streets of the said city," with sundry amendments; which bill, with the amendments, he presented, and to which he requested the concurrence of this house.

Which bill, was read with the amendments, and the further consideration thereof postponed.

Mr. Beatty, informed the house, that Council have passed the bill, intitled, "An act to authorise Euphemia Hillyer, administratrix, and John Rattonne, administrator of John Hillyer, deceased, to fulfil a contract for the sale of lands made by the said John Hillyer with James Smith;" and the bill, intitled, "A supplement to an act constituting courts for the trial of small causes," passed the 15<sup>th</sup> day of March, seventeen hundred and ninety-eight, without amendment.

The house adjourned till to-morrow morning, ten of the clock.

*Tuesday, December 1, 1801.*

The house met.

Mr. Blanch, from the committee to whom was referred the petition of Elakim Little, reported—

That in the opinion of your committee, the prayer of the petitioner ought not to be granted.

By order of the committee,

THOMAS BLANCH.

Which report was read, and agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the petition therein referred to, be dismissed.

The engrossed bill, intitled, "An act to defray sundry incidental charges," was read and compared.

On the question, Whether the same do pass? It was carried in the affirmative, as follows:

Yea.

Messrs. Beatty,  
Burroughs,  
Corwin,  
J. Cox,  
W. Coxe,  
French,  
Gordon,  
Kitchel,  
Knott,

Nay.

Messrs. Blanch,  
Burgin,  
Dey,  
Dunn,  
Frelinghuyzen,  
Haas,  
Hankinson,  
A. Harrison,  
Howell,

Yea.

Messrs. Lacey,  
Lippincott,  
Mickle,  
Neilson,  
W. Pearson,  
Scudder,  
Seagrave,  
A. Smith,  
M. Smith.

Nay.

Messrs. Linn,  
M' Eowen,  
Parkhurst,  
A. Pierson,  
Post,  
Shaver,  
Stout,  
Van Duyn,  
Ward.

There not being twenty members in favor of the bill, the same was lost.

Mr. Frelinghuysen, with leave, presented a bill, intitled, "An act to defray incidental charges of government;" which bill was read, and ordered a second reading.

The house resumed the consideration of the bill, intitled, "An act to authorise Stephen Scales, of the city of Trenton, to convey the water from his spring through the several streets of the said city, with the amendments made thereto by Council."

*Resolved*, That this house agree to all the amendments made to the said bill, to the word "*thereby*," in the second line from the bottom; and disagree to the residue of the said amendment.

*Ordered*, That the clerk do carry back the said bill, with the amendments, to the Council, and acquaint them therewith.

The bill, intitled, "An act to defray incidental charges of government," was read a second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

The re-engrossed bill, intitled, "An act to repeal an act, intitled, "An act partially to repeal part of an act therein named," was read and compared.

On the question, Whether the same do pass? It was carried in the affirmative as follows:

Yea.	Yea.
Messrs. Burgin,	Knott,
Burroughs,	Linn,
Corwin,	Parkhurst,
J. Cox,	A. Pierson,
Gordon,	Post,
Haas,	Seagrave,
Hankinson,	Shaver,
A. Harrison,	A. Smith,
Howell,	M. Smith,
Kitchel,	Stout.

Nays.

Messrs. Beatty,  
Blanch,  
W. Coxe,  
Dey,  
Dunn,  
Frelinghuysen,  
French,  
Lacey,

Nays.

Messrs. Lippincott,  
M' Eowen,  
Mickle,  
Neilson,  
W. Pearson,  
Scudder,  
Van Duyn,  
Ward.

*Ordered*, That the speaker do sign the same, and that the clerk do carry back the said bill to the Council, and inform them that the said bill is passed by this house, with their amendments.

A petition from the county of Bergen, praying the repeal of an act passed the last session, for fencing in certain lands in the said county, was read, and dismissed.

The house adjourned to 3 o'clock, P. M.

The house met.

Mr. A. Harrison, from the committee to whom was referred the report of Mr. A. Harrison, on the petition and papers of Nathaniel Leonard, of the 27th ultimo, made the same report without amendment; which was read, the report disagreed to, and the papers dismissed.

A message from the Council, by Mr. Beatty, their secretary.

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have approved of the resolution, directing the treasurer of this state to call upon Richard Howell, Esq. for the balance of money by him unexpended in the purchase of field artillery

together with the materials remaining on hand, and a statement of his accounts, as agent in this business.

Mr. Beatty, informed the house, that Council have disagreed to the bill, intitled, "An act relative to gun-power."

Mr. Beatty returned the bill, intitled, "A supplement to the act, intitled, "An act respecting the court of Chancery," with sundry amendments, which bill as amended, was read, the amendments agreed to, and the bill ordered to be re-engrossed.

The bill, intitled, "An act for the more equal representation of the county of Essex, in the general assembly of this state," was read a second time.

A motion was made that the said bill be postponed to the next fitting

On the question, Whether the house agree to the said motion? It was carried in the affirmative, as follows:

	Yea.		Yea.
Messrs. Beatty,		Messrs. Knott,	
Blanch,		Lacey,	
Burgin,		Lippincott,	
Burroughs,		M' Eowen,	
Corwin,		M' Ckle,	
J. Cox,		Neilson,	
W. Coxe,		A. Pierson,	
Dey,		W. Pearson,	
Dunn,		Scudder,	
Frelinghuyzen,		A. Smith,	
French,		Stout,	
Gordon,		Van Duyn,	
Haas,		Ward.	
Hankinson,			
Nays.			
Messrs. A. Harrison,		Messrs. Post,	
Howell,		Seagrave,	
Linn.		Shaver,	
Parkhurst,		M. Smith.	

The bill, intitled. "An act relative to foreign reports," was read a third time.

On the question, Whether the same do pass? It was carried in the affirmative, as follows:

Yea.	Yea.
Messrs. Burgin,	Messrs. Mickle,
Burroughs,	Parkhurst,
Corwin,	A. Pierson,
J. Cox,	Post,
Gordon,	Scudder,
Haas,	Seagrave,
Hankinson,	Shaver,
A. Harrison,	A. Smith,
Howell,	M. Smith,
Knott,	Stout.
Linn,	
	Nays.
Messrs. Beatty,	Messrs. Lacey,
Blanch,	Lippincott,
W. Coxe,	M' Eowen,
Dey,	Neilson,
Dunn,	W Pearson,
Frelinghuysen,	Van Duyn.
French,	Ward.

*Ordered*, That the speaker do sign the same, and that the clerk do wait on the Council, and acquaint them that the said bill is passed by this house, without amendment.

The house adjourned till to-morrow morning, ten of the clock.

*Wednesday, December 2, 1801.*

The house met.

The engrossed bill, intitled, "An act to defray

the incidental charges of government," was read and compared.

On the question, Whether the same do pass? It was carried in the affirmative, as follows:

Yea.	Yea.
Messrs. Beatty,	Knott,
Blanch,	Lacey,
Burgin,	Linn,
Burroughs,	Lippincott,
Corwin,	M'Eowen,
J. Cox,	Mickle,
W. Coxe,	Neilson,
Dey,	A. Pierson,
Dunn,	W. Pearson,
Frelinghuysen,	Post,
French,	Scudder,
Gordon,	Seagrave,
Haas,	Shaver.
Hankinson,	A. Smith,
A. Harrison,	Stout,
Kitchel,	Van Duyn,
	Ward.

Nays.

Mr. Howell,

Nays.

Mr. Parkhurst.

*Ordered*, That the speaker do sign the same, and that the clerk do carry the said bill to the Council, and request their concurrence therein.

On motion,

*Resolved unanimously*, That the members representing this state in the Congress of the United States, be, and they are hereby requested, if Congress should resolve to remove for the purpose of better accommodation, from the City of Washington, to

use their best efforts to procure their removal to the City of Trenton, and they are hereby authorised to proffer, in the name of this state, the state-house, and other public buildings belonging to the state, for the use of Congress and their officers, for any length of time that the Congress shall wish to occupy them, and that his excellency, the governor be requested to transmit a copy of this resolution to the members of Congress from this state, to be used by them as occasion shall offer.

*Ordered,* That the clerk do carry the said resolution to the Council for concurrence.

The speaker being indisposed and unable to attend.—The house proceeded to appoint a speaker, pro. tem. when Peter Gordon, Esq. was appointed and took the chair.

*Ordered,* That the clerk do wait on the Council, and acquaint them therewith.

A message from the Council, by Mr. Beatty, their secretary.

Mr. Speaker,

The Council recede from that part of their second amendment made to the bill, intitled, "An act to authorize Stephen Scales, of the city of Trenton, to convey the water from his spring, through the several streets of the said city—whereupon,

*Ordered,* That the said bill be re-engrossed.

Mr. Beatty returned the bill, intitled, "An act to constitute and appoint commissioners to sell and convey certain lands, held in trust, for the Indian natives at Brotherton, in Evesham township, in the county of Burlington, and to appropriate the monies thence arising, for the benefit of the said Indians," with sundry amendments.

Also the bill, intitled, "An act to increase the means of employing the prisoners confined in the state prison," with sundry amendments.

And also the bill, intitled, "A supplement to the act, intitled, "An act making provision for working and repairing the highways," passed March 16, 1798," with sundry amendments.

Which bills were read with the amendments.

The amendments to the first mentioned bill were agreed to, and the bill ordered to be re-engrossed.

The amendments to the second mentioned bill were read, and disagreed to.

*Ordered,* That the clerk do carry back the said bill to Council, and inform them that this house have disagreed to the amendments made to the said bill, and that they do adhere to their bill.

The amendments to the third mentioned bill were agreed to, and the bill ordered to be re-engrossed.

The house adjourned to 3 o'clock, P. M.

The house met.

The speaker attended and took his seat.

The re-engrossed bill, intitled, "A supplement to the act, intitled, "An act making provision for working and repairing the highways by hire," passed March 16, 1798. was read and compared.

On the question. Whether the same do pass? It was carried in the affirmative, as follows:

Yea.	Yea.
Messrs. Beatty,	Messrs. J. Cox,
Blanch,	W. Coxe,
Burroughs,	Dey,
Corwin,	Dunn,

Yeaſ.	Yeaſ.
Meffrs. Frelinghuysen,	Meffrs. Neilſon,
French,	Parkhurſt,
Gordon,	A. Pierson,
Haas,	W. Pearson,
Hankinson,	Post,
A. Harrison,	Scudder,
Howell,	Seagrave,
Kitchel,	Shaver,
Lacey,	M. Smith,
Linn,	Stout,
Lippincott,	Van Duyn,
M' Eowen,	Ward.
Mickle,	
Nayſ.	Nayſ.
Mr. Burgin,	Mr. A. Smith.

Ordered, That the speaker do sign the said bill, and that the c'erk do carry the same to the Council, and inform them that the laid bill is paſſed by this house, with their amendments.

A message from the Council, by Mr. Beatty, their ſecretary.

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have concurred in the resolution, authorizing the members of this state, in the Con- gress of the United States, in case of their removal from the city of Washington, to offer the State house for their accommodation.

Mr. Beatty informed the house, that Council have paſſed the bill, intitled, "An act to defray the incidental charges of government," and recede from their amendments made to the bill, intitled, "An act to increase the means of employing the prisoners con- fined in the State prison."

Mr. Linn, with leave, presented a Bill, intitled.

"An act to prevent certain officers from practising as attorneys or counsellors in some of the courts of this state," which bill was read and referred to the next sitting.

The house adjourned till to-morrow morning nine of the clock.

*Thursday, December 3, 1801.*

The house met.

The re-engrossed bill, intitled, "An act to constitute and appoint commissioners to sell and convey certain lands, held in trust, for the Indian Natives at Brotherton, in Evesham township, in the county of Burlington, and to appropriate the monies thence arising, for the benefit of the said Indians," was read and compared.

On the question, whether the same do pass? It was carried in the affirmative, as follows:

Yea.	Yea.
Messrs. Beatty,	Messrs. Kitchel,
Blanch,	Lacey,
Burroughs,	Linn,
J. Cox,	Lippincott,
W. Coxe,	Mickle,
Dey,	Neilson,
Dunn,	Parkhurst,
Frelinghuysen,	A. Pierson,
French,	W. Pearson,
Gordon,	Scudder,
Haas,	M. Smith,
A. Harrison,	Ward.

Nays.

Messrs. Burgin,  
Corwin,  
Hankinson,  
Howell,  
M' Eowen,  
Post,

Nays.

Messrs. Seagrave,  
Shaver,  
A. Smith,  
Stout,  
Van Duyn.

The re-engrossed bill, intitled, "An act to authorise Stephen Scales, to convey the water from this spring, through the several streets of the city of Trenton," was read and compared.

On the question, Whether the same do pass? It was carried in the affirmative, as follows:

Yea.

Messrs. Beatty,  
Blanch,  
Burroughs,  
J. Cox,  
W. Coxe,  
Dey,  
Dunn,  
Frelinghuysen,  
French,  
Gordon,  
Haas,  
Lacey,  
Lippincott,  
Linn,

Yea.

Messrs. M' Eowen,  
Mickle,  
Neilson,  
Parkhurst,  
A. Pierson,  
W. Pearson,  
Post,  
Scudder,  
Seagrave,  
Shaver,  
A. Smith,  
M. Smith.  
Ward.

Nays.

Messrs. Burgin,  
Hankinson,  
Howell,

Nays.

Messrs. A. Harrison,  
Stout,

The re-engrossed bill, intitled, "A supplement to the act, intitled, "An act respecting the court of Chancery, was read and compared.

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On the question, Whether the same do pass? It was carried in the affirmative, as follows:

Yea.	Yeas.
Messrs. Beatty,	Lacey,
Blanch,	Linn,
Burgin,	Lippincott,
Burroughs,	M' Eowen,
Corwin,	Mickle,
J. Cox,	Neilson,
W. Coxe,	Parkhurst,
Dey,	W. Pearson,
Dunn,	Post,
French,	Scudder,
Gordon,	Seagrave,
Haas,	Shaver,
Hankinson,	A. Smith,
A. Harrison,	M. Smith,
Howell,	Stout.
Kitchel,	
	Nays.
Mr. Frelinghuysen,	Mr. A. Pierson.

*Ordered*, That the speaker do sign the same, and that the clerk do carry the said bills to the Council, and inform them that the said bills are passed by this house, with their amendments...

A petition from George Biddleman, Esq. sheriff of Sussex, was read and referred to the next sitting.

The house rose without day.

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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS  
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GENERAL ASSEMBLY Stillwater  
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OF THE STATE *Smith*  
Feb. 29. OF 1804. & four 1804  
NEW-JERSEY.

At a Session begun at Trenton, on the twenty-sixth Day  
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晴暖，微风，无云。

晨起，食粥，饮茶，沐浴。

午时，外出，至公园散步。

下午，继续在公园散步。

傍晚，回家，准备晚餐。

晚餐，食米饭，炒菜，汤。

饭后，洗漱，休息。

夜深，入睡。

*List of Persons returned as Members of the Legislative-Council.*

Bergen,  
Essex,  
Middlesex,  
Monmouth,  
Somerset,  
Burlington,  
Gloucester,  
Salem,  
Cape-May,  
Hunterdon,  
Morris,  
Cumberland,  
Sussex.

The Honorable

John Outwater,  
William S. Pennington,  
Ephraim Martin,  
Thomas Little,  
Peter D. Vroom,  
Samuel Hough,  
Thomas Clark,  
William Parret,  
Ebenezer Newton,  
John Lambert, *v. p.*  
David Welsh,  
David Moore,  
William McCullough.

*Esquires.*

*List of Persons returned as Members of the General Assembly.*

BERGEN.

Peter Ward, Thomas Blanch, Isaac Kipp, esquires.

ESSEX.

Abraham Godwin, Israel Day, Ezra Darby, esquires.

MIDDLESEX.

Gershom Dunn, Erkuries Beatty, John Combs, esquires.

MONMOUTH.

James Cox, Peter Knott, John A. Scudder, esquires.

SOMERSET.

James Van Duyn, William M'Eowen, Frederick Frelinghuy-  
sen, esquires.

BURLINGTON.

William Coxe, *Speaker*, William Pearson, John Lacey, Wil-  
liam Stockton, esquires.

GLoucester.

Samuel W. Harrison, Samuel French, Abel Clement, es-  
quires.

SALEM.

Edward Burroughs, Merryman Smith, Samuel Ray, esquires.

CAPE-MAY.

Joseph Falkinburge, esquire.

**HUNTERDON.**

Peter Gordon, Benjamin Vancleve, Stephen Burrowes, Simon Wyckoff, esquires.

**MORRIS.**

Aaron Kitchel, William Corwin, Jonathan Ogden, esquires.  
**CUMBERLAND.**

George Burgin, Azel Pierson, esquires.  
**SUSSEX.**

Silas Dickerson, Levi Howell, John Linn, Abraham Shaver, esquires.

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VOTES  
AND  
PROCEEDINGS  
OF THE  
TWENTY-SEVENTH  
GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
OF THE  
STATE OF NEW-JERSEY.

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*Trenton, October 26, 1802.*

THIS being the time and place appointed by law for the first meeting of the General Assembly, the following persons, to wit: Peter Ward, Thomas Blanch and Isaac Kipp, as representatives for the county of Bergen; Abraham Godwin, Israel Day, and Ezra Darby, as representatives for the county of Essex; Erkuries Beatty, John Combs and Gershom Dunn, as representatives for the county of Middlesex; James Cox, Peter Knott and John A. Scudder, as representatives for the county of Monmouth; Frederick Frelinghuysen, James Van Duyn and William M'Eowen, as representatives for the county of Somerset; William Pearson, William Coxe, William Stockton and John Lacey, as representatives for the county of Burlington; Abel Clement, Samuel W. Harrison and Samuel French, as representatives for the county of Gloucester; Edward Burroughs, Samuel Ray and Merryman Smith, as representatives for the county of Salem; Joseph Falkinburge, as representative for the county of Cape-May; Benjamin Vancleve, Peter Gordon, Simon Wyckoff and Ste-

phen Burrowes, as representatives for the county of Hunterdon; Aaron Kitchel, William Corwin and Jonathan Ogden, as representatives for the county of Morris; George Burgin and Azel Pierson, as representatives for the county of Cumberland; Silas Dickerson, John Linn, Abraham Shaver and Levi Howell, as representatives for the county of Sussex, attended and produced the respective certificates of their election, which were read, approved and ordered to be filed; whereupon,

Benjamin Vancleave, esquire, was appointed, agreeably to the constitution, to qualify William Coxe, esquire, who being duly sworn, took his seat, and the remaining members, being qualified by the said William Coxe, took their seats in the house.

The members proceeded to the appointment of a speaker, when the honorable William Coxe, was chosen and took the chair.

The house proceeded to the election of a clerk, when Maskell Ewing was unanimously chosen.

Maskell Ewing attended, and having taken the oath of allegiance, and an oath for the faithful discharge of his office, took his seat in the house.

*Ordered*, That the clerk do wait on the Council and acquaint them that this house have met, and elected the honorable William Coxe, their speaker, Maskell Ewing, their clerk, and proceeded to business.

*Resolved*, That David Wrighter be door-keeper to this house during the present session.

*Ordered*, That Messrs. Gordon, W. Pearson and Dunn, be a committee to bring forward a draught of rules and regulations for the government of this house.

*Ordered*, That Messrs. Harrison, Kitchel and Van Duyn, be a committee to examine the minutes of the last sitting, and report the business that was referred, or remains unfinished.

A message from the Council by Mr. Beatty their secretary.

Mr. Speaker,

A sufficient number of members of Council have this day met, elected the honorable John Lambert, esquire, vice-president, John Beatty their secretary, and proceeded to business.

The house adjourned till to-morrow morning, ten of the clock.

*Wednesday, October 27, 1802.*

The House met.

Mr. Gordon, from the committee appointed for that purpose, brought in a draught of rules and regulations to be observed by the House of Assembly, which being read, were agreed to.

Mr. Harrison, from the committee appointed for that purpose, presented a list of unfinished business before the General Assembly, in December, 1801.

No. 1. A bill from Council, intitled, "An act to authorize the owners of a certain tract of woodland therein named, to prevent horses, neat cattle and sheep, from running at large therein."

2. A petition from the county of Middlesex, praying that a law may pass authorizing the establishment of a quarterly public market, for the sale of horses, cattle, sheep, &c. in New-Brunswick. And,

3. A petition from Robert Harris, praying leave, under certain restrictions, to throw a dam across Raritan river, near Raritan landing, for raising the water so as to accommodate mills, were severally read and ordered a second reading.

4. A petition for a law to authorize the making a turnpike road from Newark to the river Delaware, was reported to the last sitting, as unfinished business, and not taken up.

5. The bill, intitled, "An act to prevent certain officers from practising as attorneys, or counsellors, in some of the courts of this State."

6. The petition from George Bidleman, esquire, sheriff of Sussex.

7. The bill, intitled, "An act to regulate the fisheries in the river Delaware,"

And,

8. The bill, intitled, "An act for the more equal representation of the county of Essex in the General Assembly of this state," were severally referred to this sitting.

9. The report of Mr. A. Smith, on the charges exhibited against Clement Acton, esquire, clerk of the pleas of the county of Salem, was postponed till the second Wednesday of this sitting.

10. The bill, intitled, "An act to secure property found drifting in the river Delaware, or on any creek or river emptying into the same, and for other purposes," was reported to the last sitting as unfinished business, and not taken up.

The bill marked No. 1, in the said report, was read and committed to Messrs. VanDuyn, Day and Combs.

No. 5, No. 7, and No. 8, were severally read and ordered a second reading.

No. 2, No. 3, and No. 4, were severally read, and the consideration thereof postponed.

No. 6, and No. 10, were read and dismissed.

*Ordered*, That the clerk do wait on the Council, and acquaint them that this house is ready to go into a joint-meeting for the purpose of appointing a governor, a senator, a chief-justice, and inspectors of the state-prison, and to request that Council will appoint the time and place of meeting.

*Ordered*, That Messrs. Dickerson, William Pearson and Dunn, be a committee to examine and correct the minutes of the house.

*Ordered*, That Messrs. Vancleave, Beatty, Godwin, Smith and Kipp, or any three of them, be a committee, to join a

committee of Council, to settle the accounts of the treasurer, and that the clerk do wait on the Council, and request them to appoint a committee to join a committee of this house for that purpose.

*Ordered,* That Messrs. Frelinghuysen, Kitchel, Lacey, Ward and Day, be a committee of elections.

A petition from James Sloan and Robert Newell, in behalf of the inhabitants and electors of the county of Gloucester, stating illegal proceedings at the late election in the said county, and praying that the same may be enquired into.

Three petitions from inhabitants and electors of Hunterdon county, stating illegal proceedings at the late election in that county, and praying that the same may be enquired into, &c. were read—

*Ordered,* That the said several petitions be referred to the committee last appointed.

A message from the Council, by Mr. Beatty, their secretary.

Mr. Speaker,

The Council will be ready to go into a joint-meeting to-morrow afternoon, at three o'clock, in the Assembly-Room, for the purpose of appointing a governor, a senator, a chief-justice, and inspectors of the state-prison.

The house adjourned to three o'clock, P. M.

The house met.

A petition from sundry inhabitants of the county of Gloucester, praying leave to present a bill to authorize the board of freeholders, for the county of Gloucester, to build a bridge over the main branch of Coopers-Creek, from the lands of Joseph Hinchman, in the township of Newton, to the lands of Abel Nicholson, in the township of Waterford, so as to make the road leading from Haddonfield to the said creek, and the road leading from the said creek to the road from Burlington to Cooper's Ferries, one open, public road, was read—

*Ordered,* That the petitioners have leave to present a bill to answer the prayer of their petition, they previously advertising the purport of the bill they mean to present, with a copy of this order, for two weeks at each of the Cooper's Ferries, at Haddonfield, and at the Sorrel-Horse Inn, near Pennshauken, and also in each of the news-papers published in the city of Trenton.

*Ordered,* That Messrs. Clement, Scudder and S. Burrowes, be a committee to prepare and present a bill to provide for the election of members to represent this state in the next Congress.

*Ordered,* That Messrs. Frelinghuysen, Cox and French, be a committee to examine the election law of this state, and to report such amendments thereto, as they may esteem proper.

A petition from a number of inhabitants of the county Middlesex, praying that a law may be passed to regulate the fisheries in the rivers Raritan and South-River, was read and ordered a second reading.

A petition from a number of inhabitants of the county of Bergen, praying that a law may be passed to compel the owners and possessors of land to make their out-side fences so as to turn sheep, was read and ordered a second reading.

The house adjourned till to-morrow morning, ten of the clock.

*Thursday, October 28, 1802.*

The house met.

A petition from the administrators, &c. of Daniel Brown, deceased, stating that Daniel Brown in his lifetime entered into a contract for the sale of certain lands, without having made the title deed, and praying that a law may pass to authorize them to fulfil the contract of the said Daniel Brown, on the receipt of the purchase money, was read with the articles of agreement, and committed to Messrs. Howell, Ray and Ogden.

*Ordered*, That Messrs. Gordon, Stockton, Corwin, Blanch and Burgin, or any three of them, be a committee to join a committee of Council, to examine and settle the accounts relative to the state-prison, and that the clerk do wait on the Council, and request them to appoint a committee, to join the committee of this house, for that purpose.

*Ordered*, That Messrs. McEowen, Knott and Falkinburge, be a committee to prepare and present a bill for defraying incidental charges.

*Ordered*, That Messrs. Stockton, E. Burroughs and Wyckoff, be a committee to prepare and present a bill to provide for the support of government.

On motion,

*Ordered*, That the speaker have power to convene the General Assembly during the session, whenever any extraordinary occasion shall, in his opinion, render it necessary, by causing public notice of the time, when the Legislature are required to meet, in the several news-papers published in this state, and some one of the public papers published in Philadelphia, which circulates in this state, at least three weeks previous to the time of such meeting; which will be deemed sufficient notice to the respective members of this house for their attendance.

The house adjourned to three o'clock, P. M.

The house met.

Mr. Howell, from the committee to whom was referred the petition of the administrators, &c. of Daniel Brown, deceased, presented a bill, intitled, "An act to authorize Rachel Brown and Robert Craige, administrators, &c. of Daniel Brown, deceased, to fulfil a contract for the sale of lands made by the deceased, with Robert Kennedy and Henry Brugler;" which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

A message from the Council, by Mr. Beatty, their secretary.

**Mr. Speaker**—**Mr. D. Vroom** and **Mr. Newton**, or either of them, are appointed a committee on the part of the Council to join a committee of the House of Assembly, for the purpose of settling the accounts of the treasurer.

A message from his excellency the governor, by **Mr. Beatty**, the secretary.

October 27, 1802.

*Gentlemen of the General Assembly,*

Since the adjournment of the Legislature last fall, I received from the secretary of the treasury of the United States, a communication respecting the rebuilding of a beacon on Sandy-Hook, and from the governor of North-Carolina, resolutions of the Legislature of that state respecting certain amendments to the constitution of the United States, for the establishment of an uniform mode for the choice of electors of president and vice-president of the United States; which communications and resolutions, are deposited in the secretary's office.

The laws of the United States of the 5th and 6th Congress, have been received and delivered to the treasurer, **Mr. Saltar**, to be distributed agreeably to law.

A copy of the revised laws of New-Hampshire, Maryland and South-Carolina, and of the acts of the late sessions of the Legislatures of Connecticut, Rhode-Island, Pennsylvania, Virginia, North-Carolina, South-Carolina and Kentucky; also copies of the journals of the Senate and House of Representatives of the first session of the seventh Congress, and also of the journals of the last session of the Senate and House of Representatives of the first session of the seventh Congress, and also of the journals of the last session of the Senate and House of Representatives of Pennsylvania, have been received and are delivered herewith.

**JOSEPH BLOOMFIELD.**

Which message was read and ordered a second reading.

The members withdrew to attend a joint-meeting, and being returned, the speaker resumed the chair, and

The house adjourned till to-morrow morning, ten of the clock.

*Friday, October 29, 1802.*

The house met.

A petition from a number of owners and possessors of salt marsh, lying between Alloway's-Creek and Hope-Creek, praying leave to present a bill to enable them to lay out a road through their marsh, four rods wide, was read and committed to Messrs. Van Duyn, Smith and Clement.

A petition from a number of citizens and electors of the county of Hunterdon, stating illegal proceedings had at the late annual election in the county of Hunterdon, was read and referred to the committee of elections.

A petition from the administrators of the estate of Joseph Pierson, deceased, stating that the said Joseph Pierson, had made a contract in his lifetime, for the sale of twenty-five acres of land, to Christopher Denman, and praying leave to present a bill to enable them to make a deed of conveyance for the same to the said Christopher Denman, was read and committed to Messrs. A. Pierson, Shaver and Vancleve.

A petition from Stephen Bogart and others, possessors of certain meadows, lying in the township of Hackensack, in the county of Bergen, praying leave to present a bill to prevent horses, neat cattle, sheep and swine being turned in, or permitted to run at large in the meadow aforesaid, was read and committed to Messrs. Darby, Ward and Linn.

The message from his excellency the governor, of yesterday, was read a second time.

The communication from the governor of North-Carolina, containing resolutions of the Legislature of that state, respecting certain amendments to the constitution of the United States, for the establishment of an uniform mode for the choice of electors of president and vice-president of the United States, was read and ordered a second reading.

Mr. Lacey, with leave, presented a bill, intitled, "A supplement to an act, intitled, "An act for the preservation of

cranberries;" which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

The house adjourned to 3 o'clock, P. M.

The house met.

A petition from a number of electors in the county of Middlesex, stating that illegal proceedings have been had at the late election in the county of Middlesex, and praying that the same may be enquired into.

Also, a petition from a number of electors in the county of Monmouth on the same subject, with a like prayer, was read and committed to the committee of elections.

A petition from the widow and children of Moses Marsh, late of the county of Essex, deceased, praying that some person may be authorized to make a coveyance for lands, late the property of the deceased, and which he has directed by his will to be sold, was read and committed to Messrs. Scudder, M' Eowen and French.

A motion was made, that a message be sent to Council, to inform them that this house is ready to go into joint-meeting for the purpose of appointing a governor and a chief justice.

On the question, whether the house agree thereto?

The previous question was called for, and on the question, Shall the main question be now put? It was carried in the negative, as follows:

	Nays.	Yea.
Messrs.	Beatty,	Burgin,
	Blanch,	E. Burroughs,
	S. Burrowes,	Corwin,
	Clement,	Cox,
	Combs,	Darby,
	Dunn,	Day,
	Falkinburge,	Dickerson,
	Frelinghuyzen,	Godwin,
	French,	Gordon,
	Harrison,	Howell,
	Kipp,	Kitchell,

Nays.	Yea.
Lacey,	Knott,
M'Eowen,	Linn,
W. Pearson,	Ogden,
Stockton,	A. Pierson,
Vancleve,	Scudder,
VanDuyn,	Shaver,
Ward,	Smith.
Wyckoff.	

A petition from Henry Volke, stating a demand against the state and praying payment, with the vouchers accompanying the same, were read and committed to Messrs. Beatty, Ogden and Burgin.

The speaker laid before the house a letter from James Saltar, treasurer, stating that there is 7,326 dollars and ten cents, including interest, of old state money, of the emission of June 9, 1780; 32 dollars and seventy three cents old state money, of the emission of January 9, 1781; 222 dollars and fifty three cents in loan-office money, of the emission of 1786, and thirty-five dollars and fifty-three cents, revenue money, of the emission of 1783, and suggesting the propriety of having the same destroyed; whereupon,

*Ordered*, That Messrs. Cox, Corwin and Day, be a committee to join a committee of the Council for the purpose of destroying the said money in the treasury, and that the clerk do wait on the Council and request them to appoint a committee to join the committee of this house for that purpose.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Cox have leave of absence for Monday next.

The bill, intitled, "An act to authorize Rachel Brown and Robert Craige, administrators, &c. of Daniel Brown deceased, to fulfil a contract for the sale of lands made by the deceased, with Robert Kennedy and Henry Brugler, was read a second time and committed to the committee who reported the same.

The house adjourned till next Monday, afternoon at 3 o'clock.

*Monday, November 1, 1802.*

The house met.

A petition from a number of electors of the county of Monmouth, stating illegal proceedings at the late election in the county of Monmouth, and praying that they may be heard before the house to support their allegations, with sundry vouchers accompanying the same, was read and committed to the committee of elections.

A petition from James Ewing, esquire, and others, in behalf of themselves and their associates, praying to be incorporated by law, with power to hold property for the purpose of bringing water by aqueducts into the city of Trenton, was read—

*Ordered,* That the petitioners have leave to present a bill agreeably to the prayer of their petition.

Mr. A. Pierson from the committee to whom was referred the petition from the administrators, &c. of Joseph Pierson, deceased, presented a bill, intitled, "An act to authorize David Ross and Ezekiel Ross, administrators, &c. of Joseph Pierson, deceased, to fulfil a contract for the conveyance of lands made by the deceased with Christopher Denman." Which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

A certificate of half-pay in favor of William Clark, late a soldier in the service of this state, during the revolutionary war, was read and committed to Messrs. Harrison, E. Burroughs and Kipp..

Mr. Darby, from the committee to whom was referred the petition of Stephen Bogart and others, praying that leave may be given to bring in a bill to prevent horses, neat cattle, sheep and swine, from running at large in any part of a certain tract of salt or brackish meadow, lying in the township of Hackensack, in Bergen county, reported,

That they are of opinion the petitioners ought to have leave to bring in a bill agreeably to the prayer of their petition, having previously advertised the purport of the bill they mean

to present, for at least two weeks in three of the most public places in said township.

By order of the committee,

EZRA DARBY.

Which report was read and agreed to.

*Ordered*, That Messrs. Kitchel, VanDuyu and Clement, be a committee to enquire into the necessity and propriety of raising money for the support of government, and to report thereon.

A petition from the widow of the late Major General Lord Sterling, accompanied with a certificate for the depreciation of his pay, while in the service of the United States during the revolutionary war, and praying payment thereof, was read and committed to Messrs. Blanch, Lacey and A. Pierson. *Sterling*

A petition read on the 27th ultimo, praying that all outside fences in the county of Bergen shall be so built as that they will turn sheep, was read and committed to Messrs. Linn, Godwin and Blanch.

A petition from Middlesex, read on the 25th ultmo, respecting the fisheries on South River, &c., Jekoff and Shaver. time and committed to Messrs. Piercy, &c.

A message from the Council, by Mr. Beatty, their secretary.

Mr. Speaker,

Mr. Little and Mr. Hough, or either of them, are appointed a committee on the part of Council, to join the committee of the House of Assembly, for the purpose of examining and settling the accounts of the state-prison; and Mr. M'Cullough and Mr. Welsh, or either of them, are appointed a committee on the part of Council, to join the committee of the House of Assembly, for the purpose of counting and burning the paper money in the treasury.

A representation from the inspectors of the state-prison, setting forth the prison-yard wall is too low, and that escapes have been frequent over the same, and suggesting the propriety of having the same raised, or that a watch-tower, should be made in the centre of the back wall, where one of the

keepers might attend, &c. was read and committed to Messrs. Gordon, Stockton, Corwin, Blanch and Burgin, the committee appointed by this house to join the committee of Council to settle the accounts of the state-prison, who are requested to take the said representation into consideration, and to examine the premises, and that the clerk do wait on the Council with the said representation, and request them so to enlarge the powers of their committee that they may take the same into consideration and make report theron.

The house adjourned till to-morrow morning, ten of the clock.

*Tuesday, November 2, 1802.*

The house met.

A petition from prisoners confined for debt in Salem gaol, praying a law may pass to extend the act for the relief of insolvent debtors to their relief, was read and committed to Messrs. Gordon, Stockton and Knott.

Mr. W. Pearson, with leave, presented a bill, intitled, "An act to repeal so much of an act passed the 31st of October, 1798, which directs the appointing of senators of the United States," which bill was read a second reading.

Mr. Linn, from the committee to whom was referred the petition from a number of the inhabitants of the county of Bergen, praying for a law to make outside fences, so as to turn sheep, in said county, having examined the law regulating fences, passed the 23d day of January, 1799, are of opinion that it is not necessary to make any further provision in the law respecting it, and that the petition be dismissed.

By order of the committee,

JOHN LINN.

Which report was read and agreed to.

Mr. Cox, from the committee appointed to join the committee of Council, for the purpose of counting and destroying the paper money in the treasury, reported the following accounts :

An account of loan-office money of the emission of 1786, in the treasury, and counted by the committees of Council and Assembly, November 1, 1802.

Denominations.	12 <sup>s</sup>	6 <sup>s</sup>	3 <sup>s</sup>	15 <sup>s</sup>	12 <sup>f</sup>	6 <sup>f</sup>	3 <sup>f</sup>	1 <sup>f</sup>	
Bundle No. 1.	1	3	7	9	15	22	16	7	13
Amount.	£ 83 : 9 <sup>f</sup> : od. — Dols. 222, 53								

**W**E the committees of both houses, do hereby certify that James Saltar, treasurer, delivered to us the sum of two hundred twenty-two dollars and fifty-three cents, loan-office money, agreeably to the above statement, which we have examined, counted and burned.

By order of the committees,

WILLIAM McCULLOUGH,  
JAMES COX.

An account of revenue money of the emission of 1783, in the treasury, and counted by the committees of Council and Assembly, November 1, 1802.

Denominations.	12 <sup>s</sup>	6 <sup>s</sup>	3 <sup>s</sup>	15 <sup>s</sup>	12 <sup>f</sup>	7 <sup>f</sup>
Bundle No. 1.	1	1	1	2	2	1
Amount.	£ 13 : 6 <sup>f</sup> : 6 <sup>d</sup> . — Dols. 35, 53					

**W**E the committees of both houses, do hereby certify, that James Saltar, treasurer, has delivered to us the sum of thirty-five dollars and fifty-three cents, revenue money, agreeably to the above statement, which we have examined, counted and burned.

By order of the committees,

W.M. McCULLOUGH,  
JAMES COX.

An account of state money of the emission of June 9, 1780, counted in the treasury of New-Jersey, by the committees of Council and Assembly, on the 1st of November, 1802.

Denominations.	Dols.	Interest.	Amount.								
	20	8	7	5	4	3	2	1		Dols.	Cts.
Bundle No. 1	42	131	180	30	18	15	19	145	819	00	4459 00
2	23	160	49	1	1	0	52	0	494	10	2690 10
3	6	2	4.	1	0	1	2	1			177 00
	71	293	239.	32	19	16	73	146	1313	10	7326 10

WE the committees of both houses, do hereby certify that James Saltar, treasurer, has delivered to us the sum of seven thousand, three hundred and twenty-six dollars and ten cents, state money, of the emission of June 9, 1780, agreeably to the above statement, which we have examined, counted and burned.

By order of the committees,

W.M. McCULLOUGH,  
JAMES COX.

An account of state money of the emission of January 9, 1781, counted in the treasury, by the committees of Council and Assembly of the 1st of November, 1802.

Denominations.	7/6	5/	4/	3/9	3/6	2/6	1/6	1/	9d.	6d.
Bundle No. 1.	8	21	8	2	4	5	4	5	2	4
Amount.	$\text{£} 12 : 5\text{s} : 6\text{d.} — \text{Dols. } 32, 73$									

**W**E the committees of both houses, do hereby certify, that James Saltar, treasurer, has delivered to us the sum of thirty-two dollars and seventy-three cents, state money, of the emission of January 9, 1781, agreeably to the above statement, which we have examined, counted and burned.

By order of the committees,

WM. McCULLOUGH,  
JAMES COX.

Which report was read and agreed to.

The bill, intitled, "An act to authorize David Ross and Ezekiel Ross, administrators of Joseph Pierson, deceased, to fulfil a contract for the conveyance of lands made by the deceased with Christopher Denman," was read a second time and ordered to be engrossed.

Mr. Howell, from the committee to whom was referred the bill, intitled, "An act to authorize Rachel Brown and Robert Craige, administrators, &c. of Daniel Brown, deceased, to fulfil a contract for the sale of lands made by the deceased with Robert Kennedy and Henry Brugler," reported the same with sundry amendments; which bill was read and postponed.

The house adjourned to 3 o'clock P. M.

The house met.

Mr. Gordon, agreeably to leave given, presented a bill, intitled, "An act for incorporating the proprietors of the Trenton water-works;" which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

Mr. Dickerson, with leave, presented a bill, intitled, "An act laying a tax on carriages, the proceeds whereof to be ap-

plied to the repairs of the public highways ;" which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

Mr. Kitchell, agreeably to leave given, and in behalf of the petitioners, presented the draught of a bill, intitled, "An act concerning the estate of Gabriel Ludlum, late of the county of Sussex, deceased ;" which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

A message from the Council by Mr. Beatty, their secretary.

Mr. Speaker,

The Council do accede to the proposition of the House of Assembly for the enlarging the powers of the committees appointed to settle the accounts of the state-prison, so as to take into their consideration and report on the expediency of rendering that institution more complete for the safe-keeping of the prisoners therein.

The house resumed the consideration of the bill, intitled, "An act to authorize Rachel Brown and Robert Craige, administrators, &c. of Daniel Brown, deceased, to fulfil a contract for the sale of lands made by the deceased with Robert Kennedy and Henry Brugler, and having gone through the said bill,

*Ordered*, That the same be engrossed.

The house adjourned till to-morrow morning, ten of the clock.

*Wednesday, November 3, 1802.*

The House met.

Mr. VanDuyn, from the committee to whom was referred the bill, intitled, "An act to authorize the owners of a certain tract of wood land therein named, to prevent horses, neat cattle and sheep, from running at large therein," reported the same with sundry amendments.

Which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

Agreeably to the order of the day, the report of Abijah Smith, of the 26th of November last, on the petition of Josh-

ua Morgan, was taken up and read; whereupon the house went into the examination of the testimony to support the charges referred to in the said report.

A motion was made, that the following question be taken:

Shall Clement Acton, clerk of the court of the county of Salem, be impeached? And being put, it was carried in the negative, as follows:

Nays.	Nays.	Yea.
Messrs. Beatty,	Kipp,	Messrs. Burgin,
Blanch,	Kitchel,	E. Burroughs,
S. Burrowes,	Knott,	Smith.
Clement,	Lacey,	
Combs,	Linn,	
Corwin,	M' Eowen,	
Cox,	Ogden,	
Darby,	W. Pearson,	
Day,	A. Pierson,	
Dickerson,	Ray,	
Dunn,	Scudder,	
Falkinburge,	Shaver,	
Frelinghuysen,	Stockton,	
French,	Vancleve,	
Godwin,	VanDuyne,	
Gordon,	Ward,	
Harrison,	Wyckoff.	
Howell,		

The bill, intitled, "An act for incorporating the proprietors of the Trenton water-works," was read a second time and ordered to be engrossed.

Mr. Dunn, with leave, presented a bill, intitled, "An act to authorize Richard Hartshorne and Elizabeth Cox, administrators, &c. of James Cox, to make a title for a lot of land to Susanna Hunn."

Which bill was read, and after hearing the parties for and against passing the same,

*Ordered*, That the said bill be dismissed.

The house adjourned to three o'clock, P. M.

The house met.

Mr. Scudder, from the committee appointed for that purpose, presented the draught of a bill, intitled, "An act to authorize Phebe Marsh, administratrix of Moses Marsh, to sell and convey lands ;" which was read and ordered a second reading.

Mr. Stockton, agreeably to leave given, and in behalf of the petitioners, presented the draught of a bill, intitled, "An act to incorporate into a township, a part of the townships of Northampton, Evesham and Little-Egg-Harbour, in the county of Burlington, by the name of——."

Which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

A petition from William Edgar, jun. and others, praying leave to present a bill to authorize them to build a toll-bridge across Rahway river at Edgar's dock, with a petition from a great number of inhabitants of the counties of Essex and Middlesex, for and against the measure, was read and postponed until to-morrow.

Mr. VanDuyn, agreeably to leave given and in behalf of the petitioners, presented the draught of a bill, intitled, "An act to authorize Cornelius Van Horne to sell and convey a certain lot of land therein mentioned."

Which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

The house adjourned till to-morrow morning, ten of the clock.

*Thursday, November 4, 1802.*

The house met.

A petition from sundry inhabitants of the county of Bergen, praying leave to present a bill to incorporate a company to build a turnpike, or artificial road from Hackensack to Hoboken ; also a memorial from the turnpike company of the county of Orange, in the state of New-York, praying that the proposed company may be incorporated, or that the road may

be otherwise improved, were read and referred to Messrs. Harrison, Kitchel and Falkinburge.

The bill, intitled, "An act to incorporate into a township, a part of the townships of Northampton, Evesham and Little-Egg-Harbour, in the county of Burlington, by the name of the township of \_\_\_\_\_ was read a second time, and the blank therein filled up with the word *Washington*, and after some time spent thereon,

*Ordered*, That the said bill be committed to Messrs. Stockton, Lacey and W. Pearson.

The bill, intitled, "An act concerning the estate of Gabriel Ludlum, late of the county of Sussex, deceased," was read a second time, debated and ordered to be engrossed.

The engrossed bill, intitled, "An act to authorize David Ross and Ezekiel Ross, administrators of Joseph Pierson, deceased, to fulfil a contract for the conveyance of lands, made by the deceased with Christopher Denman," was read and compared—

*Resolved unanimously*, That the same do pass.

The engrossed bill, intitled, "An act to authorize Rachel Brown and Robert Craige, administrators of Daniel Brown, deceased, to fulfil a contract for the sale of lands made by the deceased with Robert Kennedy and Henry Brugler," was read and compared;

On the question, Whether the same do pass? It was read and carried in the affirmative, as follows:

Yea.	Yea.	Yea.
Messrs. Beatty,	Messrs. Day,	Messrs. Kipp,
Blanch,	Dickerson,	Kitchel,
Burgin,	Dunn,	Knott,
E. Burroughs,	Falkinburge,	Lacey,
S. Burrowes,	Frelinghuysen,	Linn,
Clement,	French,	McEowen,
Combs,	Godwin,	Ogden,
Corwin,	Gordon,	W. Pearson,
Cox,	Harrison,	A. Pierson,
Darby,	Howell,	Ray,

Yea.	Nay.
Messrs. Scudder,	Mr. Van Duyn.
Shaver,	
Smith,	
Stockton,	
Vancleave,	
Ward,	
Wyckoff.	

*Ordered*, That the speaker do sign the said bills, and that the clerk do carry the said bills to Council for concurrence.

Mr. Corwin, agreeably to leave given and in behalf of the petitioners, presented the draught of a bill, intitled, "An act erecting a new township from a part of the township of Morris and a part of the township of Hanover, in the county of Morris," with petitions for and against the same.

Which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

A petition from electors of the county of Middlesex with a return from the clerk of the county, shewing who were candidates at the late annual election, and stating that illegal proceedings were had at the late election in that county, were read and committed to the committee of elections.

The speaker laid before the house the register's return of the probates, letters of administration and guardianship, issued from the register's office since the 2d of November, 1801.

A petition from Joseph Hankinson, stating that illegal votes were taken at the late election in the county of Hunterdon, in which he was a candidate, and by which he was deprived of his seat in the House of Assembly, was read and referred to the committee of elections.

Mr. Stockton, from the committee to whom was referred the bill, intitled, "An act to incorporate into a township, a part of the townships of Northampton, Evesham and Little-Egg-Harbour, in the county of Burlington, by the name of the township of Washington," reported the same with sundry amendments.

Which bill was read and ordered to be engrossed.

A petition was presented by sundry inhabitants of Trenton, stating additional objections to the election held in said township, and praying to be heard before the house by counsel; which petition was read and referred to the committee of elections.

The house adjourned till to-morrow morning, ten of the clock.

*Friday, November 5, 1802.*

The house met.

The following was agreed to as an additional rule for the government of this house :

Every member, who shall present a petition, memorial, or other paper, to be read in the house, shall state generally its nature and contents, before he hands it to the chair, and shall, if called upon, declare that it does not contain, in his opinion, any indecent or reproachable language, or expressions of disrespect to the house, or any committee of the same.

Mr. Frelinghuysen, from the committee of election, reported,

That they have heard and considered the testimony offered in support of the petition against the election of Gloucester county, and are unanimously of opinion, that the same was conducted with fairness and impartiality, and that the petition ought to be dismissed.

By order of the committee,  
FREDERICK FRELINGHUYSEN.

Which report was read and agreed to.

A message from the Council, by Mr. Beatty, their secretary.

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have passed a bill, intitled, "An act giving the consent of this state to the United States, to purchase land on Sandy-Hook, for the purpose of erecting a beacon, or other needful buildings thereon."

Which bill he presented, and to which he requested the concurrence of this house; which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

The bill, intitled, "An act erecting a new township from a part of the township of Morris, and a part of the township of Hanover, in the county of Morris," was read a second time, and committed to Messrs. Day, Dickerson and Corwin.

The engrossed bill, intitled, "An act for incorporating the proprietors of the Trenton water-works," was read and compared—

*Resolved unanimously,* That the same do pass.

*Ordered,* That the speaker do sign the same, and that the clerk do carry the said bill to Council for concurrence.

The bill, intitled, "An act to authorize Phebe Marsh, administratrix of Moses Marsh, to sell and convey lands," was read a second time and ordered to be engrossed.

The house adjourned to three o'clock, P. M.

The house met.

The engrossed bill, intitled, "An act concerning the estate of Gabriel Ludlum," was read and compared—

On the question, Whether the same do pass? It was carried in the affirmative, as follows:

Yeas.	Yeas.	Nays.
Messrs. Blanch,	Messrs. Kipp,	Messrs. Beatty,
E. Burroughs,	Kitchel,	Burgin,
S. Burrowes,	Lacey,	Combs,
Clement,	Linn,	Darby,
Corwin,	Ogden,	M'Eowen,
Cox,	A. Pierson,	Van Duyn.
Day,	W. Pearson,	
Dickerson,	Ray,	
Dunn,	Scudder,	
Falkinburge;	Shaver,	
Frelinghuyzen,	Smith,	
French,	Stockton,	
Godwin,	Vancleve,	
Gordon,	Ward,	
Harrison,	Wyckoff.	
Howell,		

The engrossed bill, intitled, "An act to incorporate into a township, a part of the townships of Northampton, Evelham, and Little-Egg-Harbour, in the county of Burlington, by the name of Washington," was read and compared—

On the question, Whether the same do pass? It was carried in the affirmative, as follows:

Yea.	Yea.	Nay.
Messrs. Beatty,	Messrs. Kipp,	Mr. E. Burroughs.
Blanch,	Kitchel,	
Burgin,	Lacey,	
S. Burrowes,	Linn,	
Clement,	M'Eowen,	
Combs,	Ogden,	
Corwin,	W. Pearson,	
Cox,	A. Pierson,	
Darby,	Ray,	
Day,	Scudder,	
Dickerson,	Shaver,	
Dunn,	Smith,	
Falkinburge,	Stockton,	
French,	Vancleve,	
Godwin,	Van Duyn,	
Gordon,	Ward,	
Harrison,	Wyckoff.	
Howell,		

*Ordered*, That the speaker do sign the said bills, and that the clerk do carry the said bills to the Council for concurrence.

Mr. Harrison, with leave, and in behalf of the petitioners, presented the draught of a bill, intitled, "An act for establishing a turnpike road from the town of Hackensack to Hoboken, in the county of Bergen."

Which bill was read and ordered a second reading on Monday the twenty-second of November instant, the petitioners previously advertising this order in both of the papers printed in the town of Newark, at the court-house in the county of Bergen, and at Hoboken Ferry, at least one week previous thereto.

Mr. Day, from the committee to whom was referred the bill, intitled, "An act erecting a new township, from parts of the townships of Morris and Hanover, in the county of Morris," reported the same.

The speaker laid before the house a letter from the treasurer, reporting what he had done in consequence of a resolution of the Legislature of the first of December last.

Which was read and ordered a second reading.

The house adjourned till Monday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

*Monday, November 8, 1802.*

The house met.

Mr. Combs, from the committee to whom was referred the petition respecting the fisheries in South-River, presented a bill, intitled, "An act to regulate the fisheries in South-River, in the county of Middlesex."

Which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

Mr. Ward, agreeably to leave given and in behalf of the petitioners, presented a bill, intitled, "An act to authorize John I. Westervelt to build and erect a dam across the river Passaic."

Which bill, with the petitions for and against the same, were read and committed to Messrs. Ogden, Godwin and Ward.

A representation from George Anderson and Maskell Ewing, acting inspectors of the state-prison, was read and referred to Messrs. W. Pearson, Gordon and Ray.

Mr. Beatty, from the committee to whom was referred the petition of Henry Volks, of the county of Bergen, beg leave to make the following report of facts—viz.

That some time about the year 1767, Jacobus Peak of the aforesaid county, made a will and left a plantation, or tract

of land, to his son David Peak or Peck, with a proviso, that he was to pay to one of his sisters £125, in several yearly installments, and soon after, we suppose the said Jacobus Peak died. At an inquisition, held in said county, in January 1779, the said estate of David Peak was finally forfeited to the state, for his joining the army of Great-Britain, and we find in June following, the commissioner's deed, to Henry Volks or Folks, your petitioner, with a certificate on the back of said deed, from two of the commissioners, dated 1792, that the estate was sold by them, free of all incumbrance. In September term, 1800, we find a decree of the court of chancery, that the said real estate of David Peaks, now Henry Volk's, was still subject to the legacy of £125, with interest and costs of suit, amounting to 625 dolls. 62 cents, which the said Henry Volks has satisfied, as appears by Alexander M'Whorter's receipt, dated October, 1801; Also, it appears by the treasurer's statement, herewith transmitted, there is a balance remaining in the treasury of 843 dolls. 32 cents of the proceeds of said estate, originally paid in specie, notes and certificates. As the Legislature has, in some instances, paid similar demands, and in others rejected them, the committee beg leave to submit the following question to the house :

Shall the petitioner have leave to present a bill to answer the prayer of his petition? Otherwise the petitioner have leave to withdraw his papers.

By order of the committee,

E. BEATTY.

Which report was read and ordered a second reading.

The engrossed bill, intitled, " An act erecting a new township from parts of the townships of Morris and Hanover, in the county of Morris, was read and compared—

On the question, Whether the same do pass? It was carried in the affirmative, as follows:

Yeas.	Nays.
Messrs. Beatty,	Messrs. Burgin,
Blanch,	E. Burroughs,
S. Burrowes,	Combs,
Clement,	Corwin,
Darby,	Cox,

Yea.	Nay.
Messrs. Day,	Messrs. Frelinghuysen,
Dickerfon,	Godwin,
Dunn,	Howell,
Falkinburge,	Kitchel,
French,	Knott,
Gordon,	Linn,
Harrison,	M'Eowen,
Kipp,	Ray,
Lacey,	Scudder,
W. Pearson,	Shaver,
A. Pierson,	Smith,
Stockton,	Van Duyn,
Vancleve,	Wyckoff.
Ward,	
Speaker.	

The engrossed bill, intitled, "An act to authorize Phebe Marsh, administratrix of Moses Marsh, to sell and convey lands," was read and compared—

*Resolved unanimously*, That the same do pass.

*Ordered*, That the speaker do sign the said bills, and that the clerk do carry the same to the Council for concurrence.

The bill, intitled, "An act giving the consent of this state to the United States, to purchase land on Sandy-Hook, for the purpose of erecting a beacon or other needful buildings thereon," was read a second time, and committed to Messrs. Dunn, Darby and W. Pearson.

The bill, intitled, "An act to authorize the owners of a certain tract of woodland therein named, to prevent horses, neat cattle and sheep, from running at large therein," was read a second time and postponed.

The house adjourned till to-morrow morning, ten of the clock.

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*Tuesday, November 9, 1802.*

The house met.

Mr. Vancleve, from the committee appointed to join the committee of Council to settle the accounts of the treasurer, brought in the following statement and report :

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*Dr.*      JAMES SALTAR, *Treasurer, to—*

On account of tax levied in Continen—

To deficiency not paid in on the last

settlement by the county of  
Bergen,

Dols. Cts.  
369 32

*Dr.*      JAMES SALTAR, *Treasurer, to—*

On account of tax for raising £50,000, State Money—

To deficiencies not paid in on the last

settlement by the counties of

Suffex,

Burlington,

State Money.

Dols. Cts.

349 78

1,533 36

1,883 14

—*the State of New-Jersey,* *Cr.*

—*tal Money, and reduced to Specie.*

By amount carried to account	Dols. Cts.
current,	369 32

October 30, 1802.

By order of the committees,  
 EBENR. NEWTON,  
 E. BEATTY.

—*the State of New-Jersey,* *Cr.*

—*and Certificates, due December 1, 1781.*

By deficiencies not yet paid in by	State Money
the counties of	Dols. Cts.
Burlington,	1,533 36
Sussex,	342 13
Balance carried to account current,	7 65
	1,883 14

October 30, 1802.

By order of the committees,  
 EBENR. NEWTON,  
 E. BEATTY.

*Dr.* JAMES SALTAR, *Treasurer*, to—

On account of tax for raising £10,000 Specie, for sink—

To deficiency not paid in on the last

settlement by the county of

Suffex,

Dols. Cts.

1,434 48

*Dr.* JAMES SALTAR, *Treasurer*, to—

On account of tax in Specie, due January 1, 1783, which—  
a law, passed November 28, 1789, is—

To deficiency not paid in on the last

settlement by the county of

## Sussex,

Dols. Cts.

3,529 57

—*the State of New-Jersey,* *Cr.*

—ing £30,000 in bills of credit, due December 1, 1785.

By deficiency not yet paid in by

the county of	Dols. Cts.
Sussex,	1,434 48

October 30, 1802.

By order of the committees,

EBENR. NEWTON,  
E. BEATTY.

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—*the State of New-Jersey,* *Cr.*

—was made payable to the receiver of continental taxes, but by  
—made payable into the treasury.

By deficiencies not yet paid in by

the county of	Dols. Cts.
Sussex,	2,639 57
Balance carried to account current,	890 00
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	3,529 57

October 30, 1802.

By order of the committees,

EBENR. NEWTON,  
E. BEATTY.

*Dr.*      JAMES SALTAR, *Treasurer, to—*

On account of tax in Specie, due October 1, 1783, which—  
law passed November 28, 1789, is—

To deficiencies not paid in on the last

settlement by the counties of

Dols. Cts.

Monmouth,    2,928 34

Sussex,    830 23

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3,758 57

*Dr.*      JAMES SALTAR, *Treasurer, to—*

On account of tax in Specie, due January 1, 1784, which—  
law passed November 28, 1789, is—

To deficiencies not paid in on the last

settlement by the counties of

Dols. Cts.

Monmouth,    3,908 00

Sussex,    1,865 57

Burlington,    1,548 48

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7,322 05

*—the State of New-Jersey,**Cr.*

—was payable to the receiver of continental tax, but by a  
—made payable into the treasury.

By deficiency not yet paid in

	Dols. Cts.
by the county of	
Monmouth,	2,928 34
Balance carried to account current,	<u>.830 23</u>
	3,758 57

October 30, 1802.

By order of the committees,

EBENR. NEWTON.  
E. BEATTY.

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*—the State of New-Jersey,**Cr.*

—was payable to the receiver of continental taxes, but by a  
—made payable into the treasury.

By deficiencies not yet paid in

	Dols. Cts.
by the counties of	
Monmouth,	3,908 00
Burlington,	1,548 48
Sussex,	1,683 57
Balance carried to account current,	<u>182 00</u>
	7,322 05

October 30, 1802.

By order of the committees,

EBENR. NEWTON,  
E. BEATTY.

*Dr.* JAMES SALTAR, *Treasurer, to—*

On account of Arrears of Taxes ordered to be raised on—  
laws; one passed March 9, 1801,—

Dolls. Cts.	
To the first installment, due December 30, 1801, after deducting one fourth of the sum laid on the township of Mendham by the board of assessors, agreeably to the last above law,	5050 61 $\frac{1}{2}$
To the 2d installment, due December 30th, 1802, after deducting one fourth of the sum laid on the township of Mendham, by the board of assessors as above,	5050 61 $\frac{1}{2}$
To the 3d installment, due December 30, 1803, to be raised in the township of Mendham, agreeably to the last above-mentioned law and apportionment of the assessors,	1072 67 $\frac{1}{2}$
To the 4th installment, due December 30, 1804, to be raised in the township of Mendham, agreeably to the last above-mentioned law on the apportionment of the assessors,	1072 67 $\frac{1}{2}$
	<hr/> 12,246 58

—*the State of New-Jersey,* *Cr.*

—*the county of Morris, by the Legislature, agreeably to two  
and the other November 26, 1801*

	Dolls. Cts.
By deficiency not yet paid in,	5618 53
Balance carried to account current,	6628 05

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12246 58

October 30, 1802.

By order of the committees,

EBENR. NEWTON.

E. BEATTY.

*Amount of Deficiencies due from the several Counties.*

TAXES due before the YEAR 1785.

**TOTAL AMOUNT.**

JAMES SALTAR, *Treasurer,**To the state of New-Jersey, Dr.*

On account of cash received of sundry persons.

1801.	Dols. Cts.
Nov. 11. Received of Lawrence A. Ackerman, late sheriff of Bergen county, per Nehemiah Wade, the balance of the fines imposed by the courts in said county, between the 4th Tues- day in October 1800 and 1801,	87 40
12. Received of Israel Canfield, late sher- iff of Morris county, on account of fines imposed by the courts in said county, between the 16th day of November 1800 and 1801,	140 00
Received of ditto, per Caleb Russell, being the balance of the fines im- posed by the courts in said county, between November 1, 1800 and 1801,	1 90
19. Received of Jeremiah Bennett, sheriff of Cumberland county, per George Burgin, on account of fines impos- ed by the courts in said county, be- tween the 1st of November 1800 and 1801.	164 82 $\frac{1}{2}$
28. Received of John Tuft, sheriff of Sa- lem county, per Aaron D. Woodruff, on account of fines imposed by the courts in said county during the year ending the 2d Tuesday in October, 1801.	117 81
Carried forward,	511 93 $\frac{1}{2}$

	Dolls. Cts.
Brot forward,	511 93½
Decem. 10. Received of George Holcombe, late Sheriff of Hunterdon county, on account of the fines imposed by the courts in said county during the three years ending in October, 1800.	52 80
July 9. Received of Thomas Ward, late sheriff of Essex county, the balance of fines imposed by the courts in said county during the year ending the 2d Tuesday of October, 1800.	71 18
Septem. 8. Received of Andrew Lyle, sheriff of Middlesex county, on account of fines imposed by the courts in said county during the year 1801.	60 00
Amount carried to account current, October 30, 1802.	695 91½
By order of the committees,	

EBENR. NEWTON,  
E. BEATTY.

JAMES SALTAR, *Treasurer,*

*To the State of New-Jersey, Dr.*

On account of cash received from the United States.

1802.	Dols. Cts.
July 16. Received of James Ewing, commissioner of Loans three quarters' interest, (with two per cent. on the principal of the six per cents) on the stock of this state in the funds of the United States, up to July 1, 1802.	3415 13
Amount carried to account current,	3415 13

JAMES SALTAR, *Treasurer,*

*To the State of New-Jersey, Dr.*

On account of cash received for sundry stage licenses, agreeably to a law passed November 20, 1799.

1802.

	Dols. Cts.
March 16. Received of John Vandegrift, in part of an execution in the hands of the sheriff, on account of stage licenses,	200 00
July 9. Received of Thomas Ward, on account of an execution in the hands of Joseph Doty, late sheriff of Somerset county,	130 00
Amount carried to account current,	<hr/> 330 00

October 30, 1802.

By order of the committees,

EBENR. NEWTON,  
E. BEATTY.

Dr.

JAMES SALTAR, *Treasurer—*

Account Current in—

	Dols. Cts.
To balance due the state on settlement made October 30, 1801, in old state money,	Dols. Cts. 1194 17
To ditto 3654 82, lawful money, received at one for three on the sinking fund tax, and not ex- changed, equal in old state money to	 <hr/> 10964 46 <hr/> 12158 63
To ditto received on the tax due December 1, 1785,	 <hr/> 7 65 <hr/> 12,166 28

October 30, 1802.

**W**E the committees of Council and Assembly, appoint--  
above, and the vouchers relative thereto, viz. No. 1--  
and two dollars and forty-eight cents, and one third of a--  
December 1, 1785, and not yet exchanged, equal in old--  
dollars and forty-five cents remaining in the hands of the--

—*to the State of New-Jersey,*

*Cr.*

—Old State Money.

	Dols. Cts.
By amount of vouchers from No. 1 to No. 2, inclusive, for state money, examined, counted, and burned this present fitting, by the committees of both houses, to wit:	Dols. Cts.
Of the emission of June 9, 1780,	7326 10
Ditto, of January 9, 1781,	32 73
	7358 83
By balance due the state, 1602 48½ lawful money, received at one for three on the sinking fund tax, and not yet exchanged, equal in old state money, to	4807 45
	12,166 28

--ed to settle the treasurer's accounts, having examined the  
--and No. 2, do find a balance of one thousand six hundred  
--cent, lawful money, received on the sinking fund tax, due  
--state money, to four thousand, eight hundred and seven  
--treasurer, agreeably to the above statement.

PETER D. VROOM,  
EBENR. NEWTON,  
BENJAMIN VANCLEVE,  
MERRN. SMITH,  
ABM. GODWIN,  
ISAAC KIPP,  
E. BEATTY.

*Dr.***JAMES SALTAR, Treasurer—**

Account current in—

	Dols. Cts.
To balance due the state on settlement made October 30, 1801,	14075 71
To ditto received on the tax levied in continental money, and reduced to specie,	369 32
To ditto received on the tax due January 1, 1783, formerly payable to the continental receiver,	890 00
To ditto received on ditto, due October 1, 1783, do.	830 23
To ditto received on do. due January 1, 1784,	182 00
To ditto received on the arrears of taxes, due from the county of Morris, agreeably to two laws; one passed on the 9th of March, and the other on the 26th of November, 1801,	6628 05
To cash received of fundry persons,	695 91 $\frac{1}{2}$
To do. received from the United States,	3415 13
To do. received on account of stage licenses,	330 00
Carried forward,	<hr/> 27,416 36

—*to the State of New-Jersey,*

*Cr.*

—*Lawful Money.*

Dols. Cts.

By amount of sundry vouchers, from No. 1 to No. 77, inclusive, for cash paid to the members of the Legislature for their wages, to their clerks, door-keepers, and to the printers,

6237 87½

By do. of do. from No. 1 to No. 16, for do. paid to the officers of government, on account of their salaries, and to the judges of the supreme court, for holding circuit courts,

6958 99

By do. of do. from No. 1 to No. 22, for ditto paid for sundry incidental charges,

807 67

By ditto of ditto from No. 1 to No. 47, for do. paid on warrants for pensions,

2276 00

By ditto of ditto, from No. 1 to No. 2, for ditto paid for one year's interest on old state money,

111 05

By do. of do. from No. 1 to No. 3, for do paid for the principal and interest of Condict's militia, and depreciation notes, agreeably to a law, passed February 13, 1797,

15 17

By do. of do. from No. 1 to No. 60, for do. paid to the keeper of the state-prison, his deputy, assistants, &c. agreeably to a law, passed February 15, 1798, and the supplement thereto,

3255 13½

By do. of do. from No. 1 to No. 17, for do. paid to the collectors of the several counties, being the sums they paid for holding inquisitions,

775 76

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Carried forward,

20,437 65

	Dols. Cts.
Brought forward,	27,416 36

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October 30, 1802.

27,416 36

**W**E the committees of Council and Assembly appoint--  
above and the vouchers relative thereto, viz. From  
22, from No. 1 to No. 47, from No. 1 to No. 2, from No. 1--  
from No. 1 to No. 2, inclusive, do find a balance of six thou--  
lawful money, remaining in the hands of the said treasurer,--

	Dols. Cts
Brought forward,	20,437 65

By amount of sundry vouchers from No. 1 to No. 2, inclusive, for Jersey paper money, delivered to the committees of Council and Assembly, and by them examined, counted and burned this fitting ; to wit :

Loan-office money,	222 53
Revenue money,	35 53
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Balance due the state,	6720 65
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	27,416 36

--ed to settle the treasurer's accounts, having examined the  
--No. 1 to No. 77, from No. 1 to No. 16, from No. 1 to No.  
--to No. 3, from No. 1 to No. 60, from No. 1 to No. 17, and  
--sand, seven hundred and twenty dollars and sixty-five cents,  
--agreeably to the above statement.

PETER D. VROOM,  
EBENR. NEWTON,  
BENJAMIN VANCLEVE,  
MERRN. SMITH,  
ABM. GODWIN,  
ISAAC KIPP,  
E. BEATTY.

*Dr.*      JAMES SALTAR, *Treasurer, to—*

Account current in—

Dols. Cts.

To ten notes signed by John Stevens, former treasurer, received of James Mott, late treasurer, agreeably to the settlement made October 30, 1801, amounting to	63 22
October 30, 1802.	

**W**E the committees of Council and Assembly, appointing above, do find ten notes, amounting to sixty-three dollars, agreeably to the above statement.

*Dr.*      JAMES SALTAR, *Treasurer, to—*

Account current in—

Dols. Cts.

To twenty-eight notes, signed and issued by the treasurer, and countersigned by the auditor, remaining in the hands of the treasurer on settlement made October 30, 1801, amounting to	820 30
October 30, 1802.	

**W**E the committees of Council and Assembly, appointing above, do find twenty-eight notes, amounting to eight hundred twenty dollars and thirty cents, remaining in the hands of the treasurer, agreeably to the above statement.

—*the State of New-Jersey,*

*Cr.*

—Notes of Depreciation.

	Dols. Cts.
By ten notes signed by John Stevens, former treasurer, remaining in the hands of James Saltar, treasurer, amounting to	63 22

—ed to settle the treasurer's accounts, having examined the —dollars and twenty-two cents, remaining in the hands of the

PETER D. VROOM,  
EBENR. NEWTON,  
BENJAMIN VANCLEVE.  
MERRN. SMITH,  
ABRAHAM GODWIN.  
ISAAC KIPP,  
E. BEATTY.

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—*the State of New-Jersey,*

*Cr.*

—Forfeited Estate Notes.

By twenty-eight notes, remaining in the hands of James Saltar, treasurer, amounting to	820 30
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—ed to settle the treasurer's accounts, having examined the —eight hundred and twenty dollars and thirty cents, remain—statement.

PETER D. VROOM,  
EBENR. NEWTON,  
BENJAMIN VANCLEVE,  
MERRN. SMITH,  
ABM. GODWIN,  
ISAAC KIPP,  
E. BEATTY.

*Dr.*      JAMES SALTAR, *Treasurer, to—*

On account of fines levied on persons exempt—

		Dols. Cts.
To the quotas of the said fines, payable into the treasury, agreeably to the returns made by the several counties.		
Bergen,	62 fines,	186 00
Essex,	29 do.	87 00
Middlesex,	76 do.	228 00
Monmouth,	126 do.	378 00
Somerset,	30 do.	90 00
Burlington,	250 do.	750 00
Gloucester,	431 do.	1293 00
Salem,	108 do.	324 00
Cape-May,	34 do.	102 00
Hunterdon,	115 do.	345 00
Carried forward,		3,783 00

*—the State of New-Jersey,**Cr.**—from militia duty, due December 30, 1801.*

		Dols.	Cts.	Dols.	Cts.
By payments made, clearances from the fines and commissions for collection, by the several counties.					
Bergen,	By cash received,			141	12
	By 14 clearances,	42	00		
	By commissions,	2	88		
Essex,	By cash received,			85	26
	By commissions,	1	74		
Middlesex,	By cash received,			223	44
	By commissions,	4	56		
Monmouth,	By cash received,			355	74
	By 5 clearances,	15	00		
	By commissions,	7	26		
Somerset;	By cash received,			88	20
	By commissions,	1	80		
Burlington,	By cash received,			649	74
	By 29 clearances,	87	00		
	By commissions,	13	26		
Gloucester,	By cash received,			1173	06
	By 32 clearances,	96	00		
	By commissions,	23	94		
Salem,	By cash received,			270	48
	By 16 clearances,	48	00		
	By commissions,	5	52		
Cape-May,	By cash received,			70	56
	By 10 clearances,	30	00		
	By commissions,	1	44		
Hunterdon,	By cash received,			314	58
	By 8 clearances,	24	00		
	By commissions,	6	42		
	Carried forward,	410	82	3372	18

		Dols.	Cts.
Morris,	Brought forward, 41 fines	3,783	00
Cumberland,	92 do.	276	00
Sussex,	64 do.	192	00
		4,374	00

		Dols.	Cts.	Dols.	Cts.
By amount brought forward,		410	82	3372	18
Morris,	By cash received,			102	90
	By 6 clearances,	18	00		
	By commissions,	2	10		
Cumberland,	By cash received,			235	20
	By 12 clearances,	36	00		
	By commissions,	4	80		
Sussex,	By cash received,			161	70
	By 9 clearances,	27	00		
	By commissions,	3	30		
		502	02	3,871	98
Amount of clearances with commissions,		502	02		
Balance carried to account current,		3,871	98		
		4,374	00		

October 30, 1802.

By order of the committees,

EBENR. NEWTON.

E. BEATTY.

*Dr.***JAMES SALTAR, Treasurer—**

Account current in Lawful Money,—

	Dols. Cts.
To balance due the state on settlement made October 30, 1801,	9,361 95
To ditto received on the fines due December 30, 1801,	3,871 98
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	13,233 93

October 30, 1802.

**W**E the committees of Council and Assembly, appoint--  
above, and the vouchers relative thereto, viz. from--  
four hundred and ninety-four dollars and seven cents, re--  
above statement.

—*to the State of New-Jersey,*

*Cr.*

—on account of the exempt Fines.

	Dols. Cts.
By amount of sundry vouchers, from No. 1 to No. 29, inclusive, for cash paid to sundry officers, their salaries and for expenses and charges in organizing, equipping and train- ing the militia, &c.	2739 86
Balance due the state,	<hr/> 10,494 07
	<hr/> 13,233 93

--ed to settle the treasurer's accounts, having examined the  
--No. 1 to No. 29, inclusive, do find a balance of ten thousand  
--maining in the hands of the said treasurer, agreeably to the

PETER D. VROOM,  
EBENR. NEWTON,  
BENJAMIN VANCLEVE,  
MERRN. SMITH,  
ABM. GODWIN,  
ISAAC KIPP,  
E. BEATTY.

*Ordered,* That the said statements and report, lie on the  
table for the perusal of the members.

The bill, intitled, "An act to repeal so much of an act, passed the 31st of October, 1796, as respects the appointing of senators of the United States," was read a second time and committed to Messrs. Harrison, VanDyck and Scudder.

Mr. Clement, from the committee appointed for that purpose, presented a bill, intitled, "An act directing the time and mode of electing representatives in the house of representatives of the Congress of the United States, for this state."

Which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

The house adjourned to 3 o'clock, P. M.

The house met.

A petition from sundry inhabitants of the state, praying leave to present a bill to incorporate a company for the purpose of making a turnpike road, from Paulus-Hook to Trenton, was read and committed to Messrs. Dunn, Ward and McEowen.

The bill, intitled, "An act laying a tax on carriages, the proceeds whereof to be applied to the repairs of the public highways," was read a second time and committed to Messrs. Wyckoff, French and Dickerson.

A petition, praying leave to present a bill to confirm a partition of lands, late belonging to Joseph Jones, Esq. and others, in the county of Cumberland, at Maurice-River, was read and committed to Messrs. A. Pierson, Cox and Howell.

Mr. Frelinghuysen, from the committee of elections reported, that they have heard and considered the testimony of the petitioners to set aside the election in the township of Middletown, in the county of Monmouth; that the only objection to said election, stated in said petitions, is that the election of said town was removed from Middletown to Mount-Pleasant without lawful authority; that in the year 1801, the town-meeting regularly voted for such removal and the election was then held accordingly; that at the annual town-meeting, in 1802, no regular vote was taken, nor entered on their minutes, as in the year before; that the clerk of the

town, regularly, as in the year 1801, advertised the election to be held according to the vote of 1801; that from the evidence offered to your committee, it was, in 1801, the general sense of the inhabitants of Middletown, to hold the election one day at Middletown and one day at Mount-Pleasant; that it also appears to your committee, that at the last town-meeting, more or less conversation was had on the subject of the two places of election, and that though no vote was taken, it was generally understood, and particularly by the moderator and clerk, that the election was to be proceeded in as in the year preceding; and upon a full view of the subject, although the removal may not have been strictly regular, your committee are unanimously of opinion that the election of the township of Middletown ought not to be set aside, and that the petitions for that purpose ought to be dismissed.

By order of the committee,  
FRED. FRELINGHUYSEN.

Which report was read and agreed to.

A petition from the owners of Manasquan-Beach, praying that an act may pass to regulate the pasturing of the same, was read and committed to Messrs. S. Burrowes, Linn and Knott.

The bill, intitled, "An act to regulate the fisheries in the river Delaware," was read a second time and dismissed.

A motion was made, that a committee be appointed to enquire into the expediency of selling the government house of this state;

On the question, Whether the house agree to the said motion? It was carried in the negative, as follows:

Nays.	Yea.
Messrs. Beatty,	Messrs. Burgin,
E. Burroughs,	Combs,
S. Barrowes,	Corwin,
Clement,	Darby,
Falkinburge,	Day,
French,	Dickerfon,
Gordon,	Dunn,

Nays.  
 Messrs. Harrison,  
 Kipp,  
 Lacey,  
 W. Pearson,  
 A. Pieron,  
 Ray,  
 Scudder,  
 Smith,  
 Stockton,  
 Vancleve,  
 Van Duyn,  
 Wyckoff.

Yea.  
 Messrs. Frelinghuyzen,  
 Godwin,  
 Howell,  
 Kitchel,  
 Knott,  
 Linn,  
 McEowen,  
 Ogden,  
 Shaver,  
 Ward.

A petition from the county of Cumberland, praying that a law may pass to direct the dam across Mill-Creek, in the township of Fairfield, to be cut, and a draw-bridge to be erected across the same, was read and committed to Messrs. Kipp, Combs and Burgin.

The house adjourned till to-morrow morning ten of the clock.

*Wednesday, November 10, 1802.*

The house met.

Mr. Gordon from the committee to whom was referred the petitions from debtors confined in several of the goals of this state, presented a bill, intitled, "An act for the relief of insolvent debtors."

Which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

Mr. Ogden, from the committee to whom was referred the bill, intitled, "An act to authorize John L. Westervelt, to erect a dam across Pappaick river, and the memorial of Elisha Boudinot, Esq. and the petition of Charles Kinsey and others, against the erecting said dam, reported,

That they have examined the law of this state, and from other information which the committee have been able to obtain, are of opinion that it is not proper for the Legislature to interfere, and that the said bill ought to be dismissed.

By order of the committee,  
JONATHAN OGDEN.

Which report was read and agreed to.

Mr. Frelinghuysen, from the committee of elections, reported on the petition against the election in the county of Middlesex,

That the clerk of the county of Middlesex, did not forward the name of captain Nathaniel Leonard, who was a candidate for the House of Assembly, at the last election, to the town of West Windsor; that this neglect appears to your committee to have happened by mistake, and not by design; particularly from his sending the name of the said Nathaniel Leonard to every other township in the county, which was fully proved to the committee; and as from counting the votes of the other townships for the said Captain Leonard, and by adding thereto all the votes taken in the said township of West Windsor, the election would not be changed, but the same members would retain their seats—

Your committee are therefore unanimously of opinion, that the election of the county of Middlesex ought not to be set aside, and that the petitions ought to be dismissed.

By order of the committee,  
FRED. FRELINGHUYSEN.

Which report was read and agreed to.

A petition from the stockholders and owners of the toll-bridge over the Passaic, at the village of Belleville, was read, praying that they may have leave to present a bill to incorporate them into a body politic, the better to enable them to adopt and execute such measures as are necessary for the preservation of their bridge, and the road therefrom, through the cedar-swamp, to the road leading from Newark to Paulus-Hook, was read and committed to Messrs. Kipp, Shaver and Darby.

Mr. Harrison, from the committee to whom was referred the bill, intitled, "A further supplement to an act, intitled, "An act to prescribe the manner of appointing senators of the United States and electors of president and vice-president of the United States, on the part of this state," reported the same with sundy amendments.

Which was read and referred to the committee who reported the same.

Mr. Harrison, from the committee to whom was referred the petition of William Clark, reported as follows :

That from such information as the committee have been able to obtain on the subject of said application, they are of opinion the prayer of said petition ought not to be granted.

By order of the committee,

S. W. HARRISON.

Which report was read and agreed to.

A message from the Council, by Mr. Beatty, their secretary.

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have disagreed to the bill, intitled, "An act erecting a new township from parts of the townships of Morris and Hanover, in the county of Morris."

*Ordered*, That Messrs. Scudder, W. Pearson and French, be a committee to take into consideration the present law relative to slaves, and that they report by bill or otherwise.

The bill, intitled, "A supplememet to an act, intitled, "An act for the preservation of Cranberries," was read a second time and committed to Messrs. Lacey, Darby and Cox.

Mr. Dunn, with leave and in behalf of the petitioners, presented a bill, intitled, "An act to build a toll-bridge over Rahway-river, and for other purposes therein mentioned."

Which bill was read and ordered a second reading on Friday next.

Mr. Dunn, from the committee to whom was referred the bill, intitled, "An act giving the consent of this state to the

United States to purchase land on Sandy-Hook, for the purpose of erecting a beacon or other needful buildings thereon," reported the same.

Which bill was read and postponed until Wednesday next.

Mr. Wyckoff, from the committee to whom was referred the bill, intitled, "An act laying a tax on carriages, the proceeds whereof to be applied to the repairs of public highways and bridges," reported the same with sundry amendments.

Which was read, and after some time spent thereon,

*Ordered*, That the said bill be referred to the committee appointed to present a bill to raise money for the support of government.

The house adjourned till to-morrow morning, ten of the clock.

*Thursday, November 11, 1802.*

The house met.

A petition from the county of Somerset, praying that some more effectual means may be pointed out by law, to punish persons for selling liquor by small measure, was read and committed to Messrs. Falkinburge, Vancleve and Lacey.

The house resumed the consideration of the petition, marked No. 2, in the list of unfinished business; whereupon, Mr. Dunn, agreeably to the prayer of the said petition, presented a bill, intitled, "An act to institute a market at the city of New-Brunswick, for the sale of live stock."

Which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

A message from the Council, by Mr. Beatty, their secretary.

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have passed the bill, intitled, "An act to authorize David Ross and Ezekiel Ross, administrators of Joseph Pierson, deceased, to fulfil a contract for the conveyance of lands made by the deceased with Christopher Denman," and the bill, intitled, "An act to authorize Phebe Marsh,

administratrix of Moses Marsh, to sell and convey lands," without amendment.

Mr. Frelinghuysen, from the committee of elections, brought in a report, which was read and ordered a second reading.

Mr. Blanch, from the committee to whom was referred the letters of John Rutherford, relative to the certificate of pay due major-general lord Sterling, reported,

*Sterling*

That they find in the office of the treasurer of the state, a bond given by the said lord Sterling, in the year 1767, to Stephen Skinner, then treasurer of New-Jersey, for £ 2605 18/8d, payable in one year thereafter, with interest at four per cent. Your committee further find, in the office of the said treasurer, an account stated by James Mott, dated February 11, 1790, the said James Mott being at that time treasurer of the state, and has informed your committee the certificate of the pay due the said general lord Sterling, was presented to him for payment, and refused, owing to the demand the state had against the estate of the said lord Sterling; a copy whereof is herein stated.

£. s. d.
Lord Sterling's bond, dated April 15, 1767, 2605 18 8
Interest 7 years, 10 months, 7 days, to February
21, 1775, 822 10 11
Then paid by the sale of lands mortgaged, 3428 9 7
830 0 0
Interest from that date to February 21, 1790, 2598 9 7
To 15 years at 4 per cent, } 1559 1 3
£4157 10 10

By this statement, it will be found, after crediting the estate of the said lord Sterling with the amount of the certificate, there will remain a balance due the state of New-Jersey; but whether it be proper to detain the pay of the said major-general lord Sterling, as a continental officer, to pay a debt

of the foregoing nature, your committee submit to the decision of the house.

THOMAS BLANCH.

Which report was read and ordered a second reading.

A petition from the county of Cumberland, stating the situation of the dam across Mill-Creek, in the township of Fairfield, and praying that the same may not be removed agreeably to the prayer of the petition from that county, presented on Tuesday last, was read and committed to Messrs. Kipp, Combs and Burgin.

Mr. Kipp, from the committee to whom was referred the petition for incorporating the proprietors of the bridge over the Passaic, presented a bill, intitled, "An act to incorporate the proprietors of the bridge over the Passaic river at Belleville, and of the road leading from said bridge through Arent I. Schuyler's cedar swamp, in the county of Bergen."

Which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

A petition from John Anderson of Elizabeth-Town, Rahway, praying that the administrators, &c. of Daniel Marsh, Esq. deceased, may, by law, be authorized to complete a title to him, for lands by him purchased of the said deceased, in his lifetime, was read and committed to Messrs. Combs, E. Burroughs and Stockton.

The bill, intitled, "An act directing the time and mode of electing representatives, in the House of Representatives of the Congress of the United States, for this state," was read a second time, and made the order of the day for Monday next.

The house adjourned to 3 o'clock P. M.

The house met.

Mr. Dunn, from the committee to whom was referred the petition from sundry inhabitants of this state, praying a law to enable them to make a turnpike road from Paulus-Hook to Trenton, having considered the utility of such an institution, and having proofs of the due publication of the intention of

the petitioners to apply to the Legislature for a law to incorporate the petitioners and their successors, for the purpose above mentioned, do report, that the petitioners have leave to present a bill accordingly.

By order of the committee,  
GERSHOM DUNN.

Which report was read and agreed to; Whereupon,

Mr. Dunn presented a bill, intitled, "An act for facilitating the communication from Paulus-Hook, in the county of Bergen, through Newark, Elizabeth-Town, New-Brunswick, Princeton and Trenton, to the river Delaware, in the county of Hunterdon."

Which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

The bill, intitled, "An act for the relief of insolvent debtors," was read a second time and ordered to be engrossed.

The bill, intitled, "An act to prevent officers from practising as attorneys and counsellors in some of the courts of this state," was read a second time and committed to Messrs. Stockton, Scudder and Falkinburge.

*Ordered*, That Messrs. Linn, A. Pierson and Knott, be a committee to examine into the law authorizing warrants of half pay to be issued in favour of the widows of soldiers who were killed in the service of the United States; or those soldiers who were wounded in the service of the United States, during the revolutionary war.

Mr. Harrison, from the committee to whom was referred the bill, intitled, "A further supplement to an act, intitled, "An act to prescribe the manner of appointing senators of the United States and electors of president and vice-president of the United States, on the part of this state," reported the same.

Which was read and ordered to be engrossed.

On motion,

*Ordered*, That the report of Mr. Frelinghuysen from the committee of elections, made this morning, be returned to

the committee, who reported the same, to state more fully the subject matter which was to them referred.

The report of Mr. Vancleve, appointed to join the committee of Council to settle the treasurer's accounts, was taken up and agreed to.

The house adjourned till to-morrow morning, ten of the clock.

*Friday, November 12, 1802.*

The house met.

Mr. S. Burrowes, from the committee to whom was referred the petition from sundry inhabitants of the township of Howell, in the county of Monmouth, respecting the pasturing of a certain beach-meadow therein described, reported,

That in the opinion of your committee, the petitioners ought to have leave to present a bill on the second Wednesday of the next session of the Legislature, to answer the prayer of the said petition; they previously advertising the purport of the bill they mean to present, for three weeks, in at least three of the most public places within the said township.

By order of the committee,  
STEPHEN BURROWES.

Which report was read and agreed to.

A Warrant of half-pay, filled with endorsements, in favor of Mary Mead, was presented, and,

On motion,

*Ordered*, That a warrant do issue in lieu thereof; whereupon,

A warrant for that purpose was presented, read and approved.

*Ordered*, That the speaker do sign the same, and that the clerk do carry the said warrant to Council for concurrence.

A memorial, from Nathaniel Budd of the county of Bergen, praying that a law may pass, to secure to him such improve-

nents as he may make at a place where his ferry is across the North-River to New-York, the right of soil being in controversy at law, or in equity, between the corporation of Bergen and Archibald Kennedy, with a petition from sundry inhabitants of the corporation of Bergen against the prayer of the said Nathaniel Budd, were read and committed to Messrs. Van-Duyn, Smith and Beatty.

Mr. Falkinburge, from the committee to whom was referred the petition of a number of the inhabitants of the county of Somerset, respecting the excessive use of spirituous liquor, reported as follows :

That they have maturely considered the purport of said petition, and are fully of opinion, that the act concerning inns and taverns, passed the 24th day of February, 1797, is fully adequate to answer the purpose of said petition.

By order of the committee,

JOSEPH FALKINBURGE.

Which report was read and agreed to.

The bill, intitled, " An act to incorporate the proprietors of the bridge over the Passaic river, at Belleville, and of the road leading from said bridge through Arent I. Schuyler's cedar swamp, in the county of Bergen," was read a second time and ordered to be engrossed.

A message from the Council, by Mr. Beatty, their secretary.

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have passed the bill, intitled, " An act to authorize Rachel Brown and Robert Craige, administrators of Daniel Brown, deceased, to fulfil a contract for the sale of lands made by the deceased with Robert Kennedy and Henry Brugler," without amendment.

That they have passed the bill, intitled, " An act to incorporate the proprietors of the Trenton water-works," with amendments ; to which amendments he requested the concurrence of this house.

Which bill, as amended, was read—

*Resolved*, That this house agree to the first amendment made to the said bill, and in other respects do adhere to their bill.

The bill, intitled, "An act to build a toll-bridge over Rahway river, and for other purposes therein mentioned," with the petitions for and against the same, were read and committed to Messrs. Lacey, Harrison, Blanch, Cox and M' Eowen.

The bill, intitled, "An act to institute a market at the city of New-Brunswick, for the sale of live stock," was read a second time and ordered to be engrossed.

The house adjourned to three o'clock, P. M.

The house met.

Mr. Gordon, from the committee appointed to examine the accounts relative to the state-prison, as also some further securities for preventing escapes, brought in a report, which was read and ordered a second reading.

Mr. Kipp, from the committee to whom was referred the petition from the county of Cumberland, praying that a law may pass to direct the dam across Mill-Creek, in the township of Fairfield, to be cut, and a draw bridge to be erected across the same, reported,

That having duly considered the petitions for and against it, they are of opinion that the prayer of the petitioners ought not to be granted.

By order of the committee,  
ISAAC KIPP.

Which report was read and agreed to.

The bill, intitled, "A supplement to an act, intitled, "An act for the preservation of Cranberries," was read a second time and dismissed.

Mr. Dickerson, with leave, presented a bill, intitled, "An act to repeal the supplement to an act, intitled, "An act making provision for working and repairing the highways," passed, December 2, 1801, and making further provision for the repairs of the public highways."

Which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

The house adjourned till Monday afternoon, three of the clock.

*Monday, November 15, 1802.*

The house met.

A message from the Council, by Mr. Beatty, their secretary.

Mr. Speaker,

The Council insist on their second amendment made to the bill, intitled, "An act for incorporating the proprietors of the Trenton water-works."

Mr. Harrison, agreeably to leave given, and in behalf of the petitioners, presented a bill, intitled, "An act for building a bridge over Cooper's-Creek."

Which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

A petition from the county of Sussex, praying that a summary mode may be directed by law for punishing persons guilty of assault and battery, was read and committed to Messrs. Ward, Dickerson and Lacey.

A petition from sundry inhabitants of the county of Somerset, praying leave to present a bill to authorize the improvement of the navigation of the river Raritan," was read and committed to Messrs. VanDuyin, S. Burrowes and Dunn.

Agreeably to the order of the day, the house resolved itself into a committee of the whole, on the bill, intitled, "An act directing the time and mode of electing representatives in the House of Representatives of the Congress of the United States for this state"—

Mr. Vancleve took the chair of the committee, and after having spent some time thereon, the speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Vancleve, chairman of the committee, reported a bill, intitled, "An act directing the time and manner of electing representatives in the House of Representatives of the Congress of the United States."

Which bill was read, and the further consideration thereof postponed.

The house adjourned till to-morrow morning, ten of the clock.

*Tuesday, November 16, 1802.*

The house met.

Mr. Frelinghuysen from the committee of elections, to whom was sent back their last report, with directions to make a more special report on the petitions against the elections of Maidenhead and Trenton, in the county of Hunterdon, reported as follows:

That in the petitions against the election in Maidenhead, three objections are stated, viz.

1. That citizens of Philadelphia voted.
2. That married women voted.
3. That votes were given by proxy.

As to the first point, your committee are of opinion it was not supported.

As to the second point, it appeared to your committee, that one married woman voted, whose husband had left her for several years, and she had retaken her former name, and under that name she voted and paid taxes.

As to the third point, it was proved to your committee, that two votes were given in by proxy, and that this practice had heretofore taken place in that township.

That in the petitions and memorial against the election in the township of Trenton, eight objections are stated.

1. That the poll was improperly moved.
2. That the judge received votes in the open streets from carriages.
3. That persons under age voted.
4. That non-residents voted.
5. That Negroes and actual slaves voted.
6. That aliens voted.
7. That persons not worth fifty pounds voted.
8. That married women voted.

That, in the opinion of your committee, the first point was not supported,

That as to the second point, the taking of votes in the street from carriages, your committee, considering how much the practice may be abused, are of opinion that it was irregular, if not unlawful.

They further report, that it appeared to your committee, that this practice had heretofore, in certain cases, prevailed at elections in Trenton.

That at the late election, no objection was made to the mode, but that voters of all kinds, without regard to any political difference of opinion, presented votes in that mode; and your committee further report, that as far as such a mode of election could be, it was conducted by the judge, and inspectors with fairness and correctness; the votes being received singly, in open view, and openly conveyed to the box.

That as to the six other points, your committee decided at the hearing, that they would receive no evidence of such unlawful voters being admitted, unless they were challenged, or unless the judge and inspectors knew the vote to be unlawful.

Your committee being of opinion, that unless the voter was challenged, or they knew him unlawful, the law compels the judge and inspectors to put the ballot into the box.

Your committee further report, That no evidence was offered to them, of the judge and inspectors knowingly receiving unlawful voters which were not challenged, and as to the voters which were challenged, your committee report that the evidence offered does not warrant them to say that improper decisions took place.

Your committee are unanimously of opinion, that it is not expedient, and would not tend to the public good, to set aside the elections of the townships of Maidenhead and Trenton.

By order of the committee,

FRED. FRELINGHUYSEN.

Which report was read and agreed to.

The engrossed bill, intitled, "A further supplement to an act, intitled, "An act to prescribe the manner of appointing senators of the United States, and electors of president and

vice-president of the United States on the part of this state," was read and compared—

On the question, Whether the same do pass? It was carried in the affirmative, as follows:

## Yea.

Messrs. Beatty,  
Blanch,  
S. Burrowes,  
Clement,  
Combs,  
Dunn,  
Falkinburge,  
Frelinghuysen,  
French,  
Harrison,  
Kipp,  
Lacey,  
M' Eowen,  
W. Pearson,  
Stockton,  
Vancleve,  
Van Duyn,  
Ward,  
Wyckoff,  
Speaker.

## Nays.

Messrs. Burgin,  
E. Burroughs,  
Corwin,  
Cox,  
Darby,  
Day,  
Dickerson,  
Godwin,  
Gordon,  
Howell,  
Kitchel,  
Knott,  
Linn,  
Ogden,  
A. Pierson,  
Ray,  
Scudder,  
Shaver,  
Smith.

The engrossed bill, intitled, "An act for the relief of insolvent debtors," was read and compared—

On the question, Whether the same do pass? It was carried in the affirmative, as follows:

## Yea.

Messrs. Beatty,  
Blanch,  
Burgin,  
E. Burroughs,  
S. Burrowes,  
Combs,  
Corwin,  
Cox,  
Day,  
Dunn,  
Falkinburge,  
Frelinghuysen,  
French,  
Godwin,

## Yea.

Messrs. Gordon,  
Harrison,  
Kipp,  
Kitchel,  
Knott,  
Lacey,  
W. Pearson,  
A. Pierson,  
Ray,  
Scudder,  
Smith,  
Stockton,  
Vancleve,  
Ward.

## Nays.

Messrs. Clement,  
Darby,  
Dickerson,  
Howell,  
Linn,  
M' Eowen,  
Ogden,  
Shaver,  
Van Duyn,  
Wyckoff.

The engrossed bill, intitled, "An act to incorporate the proprietors of the bridge over the Passaic river, at Belleville, and of the road leading from the said bridge through Arent I. Schuyler's cedar swamp, in the county of Bergen," was read and compared—

On the question, Whether the same do pass? It was carried in the affirmative, as follows:

Yea.	Yea.	Nay.
Messrs. Beatty,	Messrs. Kipp,	Messrs. Howell,
Blanch,	Kitchel,	Knott,
E. Burroughs	Lacey,	Ray.
S. Burrowes,	Linn,	
Combs,	M' Eowen,	
Corwin,	Ogden,	
Cox,	W. Pearson,	
Darby,	A. Pierson,	
Day,	Scudder,	
Dickerson,	Shaver,	
Dunn,	Smith,	
Falkinburge,	Stockton,	
Frelinghuysen,	Vancleve,	
French,	Van Duyn,	
Godwin,	Ward,	
Gordon,	Wyckoff.	
Harrison,		

The engrossed bill, intitled, "An act to institute a market in the city of New-Brunswick, for the sale of live-stock," was read and compared—

*Resolved unanimously,* That the same do pass.

*Ordered,* That the speaker do sign the said bills, and that the clerk do carry the said bills to the Council for concurrence.

Mr. Lacey, from the committee to whom was referred the bill and papers of William Edgar and others, for building a bridge over the Rahway-river, at or near the said Edgar's landing, and for laying out a road from thence to Elizabeth-Town, reported as follows:

That they have heard the applicants and opponents, and after duly considering the reasons offered for and against the

same, are unanimously of opinion the bill of the said William Edgar ought to be postponed until it is ascertained how far the turnpike road, if carried into effect, from Paulus-Hook to Trenton, will interfere with the said bridge and road.

By order of the committee,

J. LACEY.

Which report was read and ordered a second reading.

Mr. Stockton, from the committee to whom was referred the bill, intitled, "An act to prevent certain officers from practising as attorneys and counsellors in some of the courts of this state," reported as follows :

That it is the opinion of the committee that the said act is unnecessary and inexpedient, and ought to be dismissed.

By order of the committee,

WILLIAM STOCKTON.

Which report was read and agreed to.

Mr. Van Duyn, from the committee to whom was referred the memorial of Nathaniel Budd, praying the aid of the Legislature to erect a ferry on the west side of the Hudson river, opposite the city of New-York, between Paulus-Hook and Hoboken ferries, on the land now in the possession of the heirs of Archibald Kennedy, deceased, have examined the said memorial and sundry papers accompanying the same, and are unanimously of opinion that the said Nathaniel Budd ought to have leave to present a bill to answer the prayer of his memorial.

By order of the committee,

JAMES VAN DUYN.

Which report was read and agreed to.

The house resumed the consideration of the paper marked No. 3, of the unfinished business, reported from the last session, containing a petition from Robert Harris, praying leave, under certain restrictions, to throw a dam across Raritan river, near Raritan Landing, for raising the water so as to accommodate mills; whereupon, another petition from the said Robert Harris, on that subject, with the petition from a

great number of the inhabitants of the vicinity of New-Brunswick, praying that the said Robert Harris may, for reasons therein stated, be indulged with the prayer of his petition, together with petitions in opposition thereto, were read—

*Ordered*, That the said several petitions be referred to Messrs. Van Duyn, S. Burrowes and Dunn, to report thereon.

A petition from John Fleming of the county of Bergen, who was a soldier during the revolutionary war, stating that he was wounded while serving in the brigade of this state, by which he is much disabled, and praying that the Legislature would order him a pension, or such other relief as they may deem proper, was read and committed to Messrs. Kipp, Gordon and Corwin.

Mr. Gordon, from the committee appointed to join the committee of Council to examine the accounts relative to the state-prison, made a report on the 12th instant, in the words following :

That they have examined the accounts relative to the state-prison, and find a nominal balance of 2770 dols. 10 cts. against the prison, after charging all sums drawn from the treasury within the last year, as also all debts due, in which are included 802 dols. 21 cts. from prisoners deceased, pardoned and escaped ; together with all dues from prisoners now in confinement. This last item comprehends fines, costs of prosecution, &c.

They further state, that after crediting the state with the balance of 6108 dols. 59 cts. due from the prison, per the accounts rendered in 1801, as also with all monies drawn from the treasury, as before mentioned, and all debts due from the prison, and comparing the said balance of 1801, of 6108 dols. 59 cts. with the balance of the accounts now presented, to wit, only 2770 dols. 10 cts. gives a favorable impression in favor of the institution.

They also report, that they have examined the accounts of George Anderson and others, for erecting a working-shop, by virtue of a law for that purpose, passed December 2, 1801,

with the vouchers accompanying the said account, and find that they have expended in erecting said building, including commissions, 190 dols. 17 cts. leaving a balance in their hands of 9 dols. 83 cts. which they advanced to the keeper, Mr. Crooks, to enable him to erect a small additional building for the use of a blacksmith.

They also report, that they have viewed the wall and consulted the inspectors and keeper on the most probable means of preventing escapes, and are unanimously of opinion, that by raising the wall three feet higher, which would make it sixteen feet, would likely have the desired effect, and are of opinion it would be most proper to have it raised with hard brick, as the wall is not more than thirteen or fourteen inches thick on the top, and from measurement of the wall, it is computed to take 80,000 bricks, 40,000 of which is supposed to be on hand, of course 40,000 more will be wanted; and from calculation, the probable expense of completing the wall to the height contemplated, would cost 750 dols. besides the brick on hand.

They further report, that in their opinion (in which the inspectors and keeper coincide) there is a real necessity of erecting permanent cells, in which they could confine some of the greatest offenders, and keep them at work, not allowing an opportunity of seeing or conversing with any person except the inspectors or keepers. The place proposed to erect said cells is at the end of the north wing, which would save the expense of one side wall, and to have each cell about ten by six feet, so as to afford a sufficiency of room to work, besides bed, &c. The probable expense of this building, per estimate and draft, will be 2,000 dollars; all which is submitted.

By order of the committees,

THOMAS LITTLE,

PETER GORDON,

Which report was read and agreed to.

*Ordered*, That so much of the said report, as respects the cells to be built at the state-prison, and the raising of the wall round the prison yard, be taken into consideration by the committee to whom was referred the representation of George

Anderson and Maskell Ewing, acting inspectors of the state-prison, of the 8th instant.

The house adjourned to 3 o'clock, P. M.

The house met.

Mr. Ward, from the committee to whom was referred the petition of the inhabitants of the township of Greenwich, in the county of Sussex, praying that the law may be so altered as to make assaults and battery cognizable before one, two, or more justices of the peace, reported,

That in the opinion of the committee, the laws on that subject are fully adequate to the purpose prayed for, and are of opinion that the petition ought to be dismissed.

By order of the committee,

PETER WARD.

Which report was read and agreed to,

Mr. Stockton, from the committee appointed for that purpose, presented a bill, intituled, "An act to provide for the payment of the officers of government of the state of New-Jersey."

Which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

A petition from John Bray, acting executor, &c. of Thomas Jones, of the county of Hunterdon, praying leave to present a bill to authorize him to execute deeds of conveyance to the purchasers, for lands sold by the deceased in his lifetime, on their making payment of the balance due, was read and committed to Messrs. M'Eowen, Stockton and Burgin.

A message from the Council, by Mr. Beatty, their secretary.

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have concurred in the warrant entitling Mary Mead to draw the half-pay of her late husband, and have passed the bill, intituled, "An act concerning the estate of Gabriel Ludlum, late of the county of Sussex, deceased," with sundry amendments.

Which bill, as amended, he presented, and to which he requested the concurrence of this house.

Which bill, as amended, was read and ordered a second reading.

The bill, intitled, "An act for building a bridge over Coopers-Creek," was read a second time and committed to Messrs. Clement, Harrison and French.

The house resumed the consideration of the bill, intitled, "An act directing the time and manner of electing representatives in the House of Representatives of the Congress of the United States."

An amendment was moved to strike out the first section of the said bill, and to insert another section, altering the bill so that the state should be divided into two districts.

*Ordered*, That the further consideration thereof be postponed.

A message from the Council, by Mr. Beatty, their secretary.

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have passed the bill, intitled, "An act to incorporate into a township a part of the townships of Northampton, Evesham and Little-Egg-Harbour, in the county of Burlington, by the name of Washington," with sundry amendments."

Which bill, with the amendments, he presented, and to which amendments he requested the concurrence of this house.

Which bill was read, with the amendments, and agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the same be re-engrossed, with the amendments made thereto by Council.

The bill, intitled, "An act to regulate the fisheries in South-River, in the county of Middlesex," was read a second time and dismissed.

The bill, intitled, "An act to repeal the supplement to an act, intitled, "An act making provision for working and repairing the highways, passed December 2, 1801, and making further provision for the repairs of the public highways," was read a second time and dismissed.

A petition from John Phillips, sheriff of Hunterdon, praying that some provision may be made by law to compensate him for his attendance as sheriff, during the sittings of the supreme court, was read and committed to Messrs. Frelinghuysen, Ogden and Clement.

The house adjourned till to-morrow morning, ten of the clock.

*Wednesday, November 17, 1802.*

The house met.

Mr. Kipp, from the committee appointed on the petition of John Fleming, a soldier, who was wounded in the revolutionary war, reported as follows :

That they have examined the papers and certificates handed forward by the petitioner, and are unanimously of opinion relief ought to be granted.

By order of the committee,  
ISAAC KIPP.

Which report was read, debated and disagreed to.

*Ordered,* That the petition of John Fleming be dismissed.

Mr. Clement, from the committee to whom was referred the bill, intitled, "An act for building a bridge over Coopers-Creek," reported the same with sundry amendments.

Which bill was read and ordered to be engrossed.

Agreeably to the order of the day, the bill, intitled, "An act giving the consent of this state to the United States to purchase land on Sandy-Hook, for the purpose of erecting a beacon or other needful buildings thereon," was read a second time, and the petitioners in opposition to the passing of the said bill, were heard by counsel, and after some time spent thereon,

*Ordered,* That the further consideration thereof be postponed.

The speaker laid before the house a letter from the treasurer, stating that there are daily demands for the payment of monies due from the state to individuals, and desiring instructions, whether, under present circumstances, as the time for which he was appointed has expired, he should pay them, was read and ordered to lie on the table.

The house adjourned to 3 o'clock P. M.

The house met.

Mr. Pierson, from the committee to whom was referred the petition of the heirs of Joseph Jones and others, of the county of Cumberland, presented a bill, intitled, "An act to establish the partition lines of a tract of land, which have been run and agreed upon between the heirs of Joseph Jones and Isaac Buzzby and others, and the said heirs, and the heirs and assigns of William Furnace, deceased."

Which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

Mr. VanDyck, agreeably to leave given and in behalf of the petitioner, presented a bill, intitled, "An act to authorize commissioners to lay out a public road, from the great road leading from Newark to Paulus-Hook, to Nathaniel Budd's, dock on the west side of the Hudson river, between Paulus-Hook and Hoboken ferries, opposite the city of New-York.

Which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

The house resumed the consideration of the bill, intitled, "An act giving the consent of this state to the United States to purchase land on Sandy-Hook, for the purpose of erecting a beacon, or other needful buildings, thereon," and after agreeing to the first section,

*Ordered*, That the said bill be committed to Messrs. Kitchel, Lacey and Beatty.

The bill, intitled, "An act to authorize Cornelius Van Horn to sell and convey a certain lot of land therein mentioned," was read a second time and dismissed.

The bill, intitled, "An act concerning the estate of Gabriel Ludlum, late of the county of Sussex, deceased," with the amendment made thereto by Council, was read a second time, the amendment agreed to, and the bill ordered to be re-engrossed.

The report of Mr. Beatty, on the petition of Henry Voik of the county of Bergen, of the 8th instant, was read a second time, and,

On the question, Shall the petitioner have leave to present

bill to answer the prayer of his petition? It was carried in the negative as follows:

Nays.	Nays.	Yea.
Messrs. Beatty,	Messrs. Howell,	Messrs. Blanch,
Burgin,	Kitchel,	S. Burrowes,
E. Burroughs	Knott,	Kipp,
Clement,	Lacey,	Vancleve,
Combs,	Linn,	Wyckoff.
Corwin,	M'Eowen,	
Cox,	Ogden,	
Darby,	W. Pearson,	
Day,	A. Pierson,	
Falkinburge,	Ray,	
Frelinghuysen,	Scudder,	
French,	Shaver,	
Godwin,	Smith,	
Gordon,	Stockton,	
Harrison,	VanDuyne.	

*Ordered*, That the petitioner have leave to withdraw his papers.

A petition from Henry Perrine of the county of Monmouth, stating a claim against the slate, was read and dismissed.

The house adjourned till to-morrow morning, ten of the clock.

*Thursday, November 18, 1802.*

The house met.

Mr. VanDuyne, from the committee to whom was referred the petition of John Campbell and his associates, relative to the navigation of the river Raritan, presented a bill, intitled, "An act to incorporate certain persons for the purpose of making the water of the river Raritan navigable."

Which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

A representation from a committee of the trustees of the College of New-Jersey, stating that the college edifice was destroyed by fire in March last, and praying the aid of the Legislature to have it rebuilt, was read and committed to Messrs. Scudder, VanDuyne and Kitchel.

The bill, intitled, "An act to authorize commissioners to lay out a public road, from the great road leading from Newark to Paulus-Hook to Nathaniel Budd's dock, on the west side of the Hudson river, between Paulus-Hook and Hoboken ferries, opposite the city of New-York, and to authorize the said Nathaniel Budd to erect a ferry from the said dock to the city of New-York," was read a second time and ordered to be engrossed.

The bill, intitled, "An act to raise the sum of fifteen thousand dollars for the year of our Lord eighteen hundred and three," was read a second time and committed to Messrs. Dunn, Darby and Ray.

A message from the Council, by Mr. Beatty, their secretary.  
Mr. Speaker,

The Council have passed the bill, intitled, "An act for the relief of insolvent debtors," without amendment.

Mr. Frelinghuysen, from the committee to whom was referred the petition of John Phillips, praying that compensation may be made to the sheriff, for the time being, of the county of Hunterdon, for his attendance on the supreme court, reported,

That in the opinion of the committee the prayer of the petition ought not to be granted.

By order of the committee,

FRED. FRELINGHUYSEN.

Which report was read and agreed to.

The house adjourned to three o'clock, P. M.

The house met.

The re-engrossed bill, intitled, "An act concerning the estate of Gabriel Lullum, late of the county of Sussex, deceased," was read and compared—

*Resolved unanimously,* That the same do pass.

The re-engrossed bill, intitled, "An act to incorporate into a township a part of the townships of Northampton, Evesham and Little-Egg-Harbour, in the county of Burlington, by the name of Washington," was read and compared—

*Resolved unanimously,* That the same do pass.

*Ordered,* That the speaker do sign the said bills, and that the clerk do carry them to the Council and acquaint them that the said bills have been passed by this house, with the amendments made thereto by Council.

The engrossed bill, intitled, "An act to build a bridge over Coopers-Creek," was read and compared—

*Resolved unanimously,* That the same do pass.

*Ordered,* That the speaker do sign the same, and that the clerk do carry the said bill to the Council for concurrence.

The house resumed the consideration of the bill, intitled, "An act directing the time and manner of electing representatives in the House of Representatives of the Congress of the United States," and after having gone through the said bill,

*Ordered,* That the same be engrossed.

The bill, intitled, "An act to provide for the payment of the officers of government of the state of New-Jersey," was read a second time and ordered to be engrossed.

The engrossed bill, intitled, "An act to authorize commissioners to lay out a public road, from the great road leading from Newark to Paulus-Hook to Nathaniel Budd's dock, on the west side of the Hudson river, between Paulus-Hook and Hoboken ferries, opposite the city of New-York, and to authorize the said Nathaniel Budd to erect a ferry from the said dock to the city of New-York," was read and compared—

On the question, Whether the same do pass? It was carried in the affirmative, as follows:

Yea.	Yea.	Yea.
Messrs. Beatty,	Messrs. Darby,	Messrs. Gordon,
Burgin,	Day,	Harrison,
E. Burroughs,	Dickerson,	Howell,
S. Burrowes,	Dunn,	Kipp,
Clement,	Falkinburge,	Kitchel,
Combs,	Frelinghuysen,	Lacey,
Corwin,	French,	Linn,
Cox,	Godwin,	M'Eowen,

Yea.	Nay.
Messrs. Ogden,	Messrs. Blanch,
W. Pearson,	Vancleve,
A. Pierson,	Ward.
Ray,	
Scudder,	
Shaver,	
Smith,	
Stockton,	
Van Duyn,	
Wyckoff.	

*Ordered*, That the speaker do sign the same, and that the clerk do carry the said bill to the Council, and request their concurrence therein.

The house adjourned till to-morrow morning, ten of the clock.

*Friday, November 19, 1802.*

The house met.

Mr. Linn, from the committee appointed for that purpose, presented a bill, intitled, "An act to regulate the payment of invalid pensioners."

Which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

The bill, intitled, "An act to facilitate the communication from Pat-lus-Hook, in the county of Bergen, through Newark, Elizabeth-Town, New-Brunswick, Princeton and Trenton, to the river Delaware, in the county of Hunterdon," was read a second time.

A motion was made to strike out the first section of the bill—

On the question, Whether the house agree to the said motion? It was carried in the negative.

*Ordered*, That the further consideration of the said bill be postponed.

The house adjourned to 3 o'clock, P. M.

The house met.

Mr. Van Duyn, from the committee to whom was referred the petition and memorial of Robert Harris and others, and the memorial from the inhabitants on both sides of the river above Raritan landing, reported,

That they have examined the papers to them referred, and also attended to the statement made to them by the said Robert Harris; that after a full investigation of the subject by your committee, it appears to them, that on the twentieth day of August, in the year one thousand seven hundred and fifty-five, a law was passed by the Legislature of this state, then a colony, intitled, "An act to preserve the navigation of the rivers and creeks within the colony of New-Jersey;" that in the year seventeen hundred and fifty-six, in opposition to the said law, a partial dam was erected near the place contemplated by the said Robert Harris; that under various pretences additions were made thereto, until at length the whole of the said river was damed over; that the said dam proved very injurious to the navigation, and the passage of the fish up said river, and occasioned much litigation and uneasiness between the proprietors and the inhabitants aforesaid; in consequence whereof, various unsuccessful attempts were made by the proprietors of said dam to have the same established by law, and that finally the inhabitants aforesaid, in order to remove all obstructions, as well to the navigation as to the fish, to put an end to all litigation and future attempts to have the said dam established by law, purchased the dam, together with the mill and its apparatus, of Charles and Hendrick Suydam, for the sum of five hundred pounds; your committee are therefore of opinion that the prayer of your petitioner ought not to be granted.

By order of the committee,  
JAMES VAN DUYN.

Which report was read and agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the petition of the said Robert Harris, and the papers accompanying the same, be dismissed.

The house resumed the consideration of the bill, intitled, "An act to facilitate the communication from Paulus Hook,

in the county of Bergen, through Newark, Elizabeth-Town, New-Brunswick, Princeton and Trenton, to the river Delaware, in the county of Hunterdon," and after some time spent thereon,

*Ordered*, That the further consideration of the said bill be postponed.

The bill, intitled, "An act to incorporate certain persons for the purpose of making the water of the river Raritan navigable," was read a second time and ordered to be engrossed.

Mr. Frelinghuysen, from the committee appointed for that purpose, presented the draught of a bill, intitled, "A supplement to the act, intitled, "An act to regulate the election of the Legislative-Council and General-Assembly, sheriff and coroners, in the state of New-Jersey, passed 22d. February, 1797."

Which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

The house adjourned till to-morrow morning, ten of the clock.

*Saturday, November 20, 1802.*

The house met.

Mr. W. Pearson, from the committee to whom was referred the representation of George Anderson and Maskell Ewing, Esqrs. inspectors of the state-prison, presented a bill, intitled, "A further supplement to an act, intitled, "An act for the punishment of crimes."

Which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

A petition from sundry inhabitants of the township of Little-Egg-Harbour, praying leave to make a dam across a creek leading from Tuckerton into Little-Egg-Harbour-Bay, to prevent the tide from flowing up the same, and in order to drain the meadows thereon, was read—

*Ordered*, That the petitioners have leave to present a bill on the second Wednesday of the next sitting of the Legislature, they previously advertising the purport thereof in three

of the most public places in the township of Little-Egg-Harbour, in the two Trenton news-papers, and in one of the Philadelphia news-papers, at least three months before the meeting of the Legislature.

Mr. Darby, with leave, presented a bill, intitled, "An act to incorporate the Newark fire-company," with petitions from a great number of inhabitants of the town of Newark, praying that the same may be enacted into a law.

Which bill and petitions were read and ordered a second reading.

A message from the Council, by Mr. Beatty, their secretary.

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have passed the bill, intitled, "An act to institute a market in the city of New-Brunswick, for the sale of live-stock," and the bill, intitled, "An act to incorporate the proprietors of the bridge over the Passaic river at Belleville, and of the road leading from the said bridge through Arent I. Schuyler's cedar swamp, in the county of Bergen," with sundry amendments.

Which bills, with the amendments, he presented, and to which he requested the concurrence of this house.

Which first mentioned bill, with the amendments, was read, the amendments agreed to, and the bill ordered to be re-engrossed.

Which second mentioned bill, with the amendments, was read, the amendments agreed to, and the bill ordered to be re-engrossed.

The bill, intitled, "An act to regulate the payment of pensions to invalids and widows," was read a second time and ordered to be engrossed.

A representation of Elisha Walton, accompanied with a petition from Henry Perrine, stating a demand against the state, with sundry papers accompanying the same, were read and committed to Messrs. Ward, Clement and Shaver.

On motion,

*Resolved*, That all payments which have been or shall be made from the treasury according to law, by James Saltar, Esqr. late treasurer, since the expiration of his appointment, shall be good and valid, and the said James Saltar shall be entitled to a credit with the state, for sums so paid, until a treasurer shall be appointed.

*Ordered*, That the clerk do carry the said resolution to the Council for concurrence.

The bill, intitled, "An act to establish the lines of a tract of land, which have been run and agreed upon between the heirs of Joseph Jones and Isaac Buzby and others, and the said heirs, and the heirs and assigns of William Furnace," was read a second time and the title thereof amended to read as follows: "An act to establish the partition lines of a tract of land therein mentioned," and having considered and amended the said bill,

*Ordered*, That the same be engrossed.

The house adjourned till Monday morning, ten of the clock.

*Monday, November 22, 1802.*

The house met.

The bill, intitled, "An act to incorporate the Newark fire-company," was read a second time and committed to Messrs. Beatty, Darby and Smith.

A message from the Council, by Mr. Beatty, their secretary.

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have passed the bill, intitled, "An act to authorize commissioners to lay out a public road from the great road leading from Newark to Paulus-Hook, to Nathaniel Budd's dock, on the west side of the Hudson river, between Paulus-Hook and Hoboken ferries, opposite the city of New-York, and to authorize the said Nathaniel Budd to erect a ferry from the said dock to the city of New-York," without amendment.

The secretary informed the house, that Council will be ready to go into a joint-meeting, in the Assembly-room, tomorrow at three o'clock in the afternoon, for the purpose of choosing a treasurer, and to which he requested this house to concur.

*Ordered*, That the consideration thereof be postponed,

Mr. Dunn, from the committee to whom was referred the bill, intitled, "An act to raise the sum of fifteen thousand dollars, for the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and three," reported the same with sundry amendments.

Which was read and the consideration thereof postponed.

The house adjourned to 3 o'clock P. M.

The house met.

Mr. Beatty, from the committee to whom was referred the bill, intitled, "An act to incorporate the Newark fire-company," reported the same with amendments.

Which was read and postponed.

The message from the Council by their secretary of this morning, respecting a joint-meeting, was read—

*Ordered*, That the clerk do wait on the Council and inform them that this house will be ready to go into a joint-meeting on Thursday next, for the purpose of appointing state and county officers, and request that Council will appoint the hour and place.

The bill, intitled, "An act for establishing a turnpike road from the town of Hackensack to Hoboken, in the county of Bergen," with the petitions for and against the same, agreeably to the order of the day, was read and committed to Messrs. Kitchel, Clement and Vancleave.

A message from the Council, by Mr. Beatty, their secretary.

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have passed the bill, intitled, "An act to build a bridge over Cooper's-Creek," without amendment.

The house resumed the consideration of the bill, intitled, "An act to raise the sum of fifteen thousand dollars for the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and three," and after having gone through the same.

*Ordered,* That the said bill be engrossed.

A memorial from the New-Jersey society, for promoting the abolition of slavery, was read and ordered a second reading.

The house adjourned till to-morrow morning, ten of the clock.

*Tuesday, November 23, 1802.*

The house met.

Mr. Clement, with leave, presented a bill, intitled, "A supplement to the act, intitled, "An act concerning wills."

Which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

Mr. W. Pearson laid before the house a report from the commissioners appointed by law to dispose of the Indian lands at Brotherton, in the words following :

"The commissioners appointed by the honorable the Legislature of the state of New-Jersey, for the purpose of disposing of certain lands in the county of Burlington, the property of the Delaware tribe of Indians, and to convey them to New-Stockbridge, in the state of New-York, agreeably to an act, passed the third day of December, 1801, request leave to report to the house,

That they have taken more than three-fourths of the said Indians (eighty-three in number) being all that were ready and desirous of going. They likewise request leave to present a number of speeches, together with five strings of wampum, delivered in full council of the Moheakunnuk, or New-Stockbridge Indians, to the said commissioners, as a pledge of friendship, and as a security for the lands and privileges given by the said New-Stockbridge tribe of Indians, to the Delaware tribe ; which, after the inspection of the Legislature,

the commissioners request may be deposited in the secretary's office, as contemplated by the aforesaid act.

WILLIAM STOCKTON,  
ABRAHAM STOCKTON,  
CHARLES ELLIS.

Which report was read.

*Ordered*, That the clerk do carry the said report, with the speeches and wampum to the Council, and request them to direct that the same may be affixed in the secretary's office.

The re-engrossed bill, intitled, "An act to incorporate the proprietors of the bridge over the Passaic river, at Belleville, and of the road leading from the said bridge through Arent I. Schuyler's cedar swamp, in the county of Bergen," was read and compared—

On the question, Whether the same do pass? It was carried in the affirmative, as follows:

Yea.	Yea.	Nays.
Messrs. Beatty,	Messrs. Kipp,	Messrs. Burgin,
Blanch,	Kitchel,	Corwin,
E. Burroughs	Lacey,	Howell,
S. Burrowes,	Linn,	Knott,
Clement,	M'Eowen,	Shaver.
Combs,	Ogden,	
Cox,	W. Pearson,	
Darby,	A. Pierson,	
Day,	Ray,	
Dickerson,	Scudder,	
Dunn,	Smith,	
Falkinburg,	Vancleve,	
French,	Van Duyn,	
Godwin,	Ward,	
Gordon,	Wyckoff.	
Harrison,		

The re-engrossed bill, intitled, "An act to institute a market at the city of New-Brunswick, for the sale of live-stock," was read and compared—

*Resolved unanimously*, That the same do pass.

*Ordered,* That the speaker do sign the said bills, and that the clerk do carry the said bills to Council, and acquaint them that the same are passed by this house, with their amendment

The engrossed bill, intitled, "An act to establish the partition lines of a tract of land therein mentioned," was read and compared—

On the question, Whether the same do pass? It was carried in the affirmative, as follows:

Yea.	Yea.	Nays.
Messrs. Beatty,	Messrs. Kitchel,	Messrs. Blanch,
Burgin,	Knott,	Frelinghuysen,
E. Burroughs,	Lacey,	Kipp,
S. Burrowes,	Linn,	M' Eowen,
Clement,	Ogden,	Vancleve,
Combs,	W. Pearson,	Van Duyn,
Falkinburge,	A. Pieron,	Ward,
French,	Ray,	Wyckoff.
Godwin,	Scudder,	
Gordon,	Shaver,	
Harrison,	Smith.	
Howell,		

The engrossed bill, intitled, "An act directing the time and manner of electing representatives in the House of Representatives of the Congress of the United States," was read and compared—

On the question, Whether the same do pass? It was carried in the affirmative, as follows:

Yea.	Nays.
Messrs. Beatty,	Messrs. Burgin,
Blanch,	E. Burroughs,
S. Burrowes,	Corwin,
Clement,	Cox,
Combs,	Darby,
Dunn,	Day,
Falkinburge,	Dickerson,
Frelinghuysen,	Godwin,
French,	Gordon,
Harrison,	Howell,

Yea.	Nays.
Messrs. Kipp,	Messrs. Kitchel,
Lacey,	Knott,
M'Eowen,	Linn,
W. Pearson,	Ogden,
Stockton,	A. Pierson,
Vancleve,	Ray,
VanDuyn,	Scudder,
Ward,	Shaver,
Wyckoff,	Smith.
Speaker.	

The engrossed bill, intitled, "An act to incorporate certain persons for the purpose of making the waters of the river Raritan navigable," was read and compared—

On the question, Whether the same do pass? It was carried in the affirmative, as follows:

Yea.	Yea.	Nays.
Messrs. Beatty,	Messrs. Kipp,	Messrs. Cox,
Blanch,	Lacey,	Darby,
Burgin,	M'Eowen,	Day,
E.Burroughs,	Ogden,	Godwin,
S. Burrowes,	W. Pearson,	Howell,
Clement,	A. Pierson,	Knott,
Combs,	Scudder,	Linn,
Corwin,	Smith,	Ray,
Dickeron,	Vancleve,	Shaver.
Falkinburge,	Van Duyn,	
Frelinghuyzen,	Ward,	
Gordon,	Wyckoff.	
Harrison,		

*Ordered*, That the speaker do sign the said several bills, and that the clerk do carry the said bills to Council for concurrence.

A message from the Council, by Mr. Beatty, their secretary.  
Mr. Speaker,

The Council will be ready to go into a joint-meeting on Thursday afternoon, at three o'clock, in the Assembly Room, for the purpose of appointing a governor, treasurer, clerk of

the supreme court, and clerks of such of the county courts as are vacant.

The house adjourned to three o'clock, P. M.

The house met.

The engrossed bill, intitled, "An act to regulate the payment of pensions to invalids and widows," was read and compared—

*Resolved unanimously,* That the same do pass.

The engrossed bill, intitled, "An act to raise the sum of fifteen thousand dollars for the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and three," was read and compared—

On the question, Whether the same do pass? It was carried in the affirmative, as follows:

Yea.	Yea.	Nay.
Messrs. Beatty,	Messrs. Knott,	Messrs. Darby,
Blanch,	Lacey,	Day,
Burgin,	Linn,	Dickerson,
E. Burroughs	M' Eowen,	Godwin.
S. Burrowes,	Ogden,	
Clement,	W. Pearson,	
Combs,	A. Pierson,	
Corwin,	Ray,	
Cox,	Scudder,	
Falkinburge,	Shaver,	
Frelinghuysen,	Smith,	
French,	Stockton,	
Gordon,	Vancleve,	
Harrison,	VanDyng,	
Howell,	Wyckoff,	
Kipp,		
Kitchel,	Ward.	

*Ordered,* That the speaker do sign the said bills, and that the clerk do carry the same to the Council for concurrence.

Mr. Kitchel, from the committee to whom was referred the bill, intitled, "An act for establishing a turnpike road

from the town of Hackensack to Hoboken, in the county of Bergen," reported the same with sundry amendments.

Which bill was read, as amended, and being further amended in the house, was postponed.

A message from the Council, by Mr. Beatty, their secretary.  
Mr. Speaker,

The Council have passed the bill, intitled, "A further supplement to an act, intitled, "An act to prescribe the manner of appointing senators of the United States, and electors of the president and vice-president of the United States, on the part of this state," with sundry amendments.

Which bill and amendments he presented, and to which he requested the concurrence of this house.

The house adjourned till to-morrow morning, ten of the clock.

*Wednesday, November 24, 1802.*

The house met.

A petition from Hannah Gill, late Hannah Harrison, praying, for reasons therein contained, that a law may pass to divorce her from her husband, John Gill, with a petition from the said John Gill to the same effect; also one from Simeon Harrison, her father, and a number of affidavits, were read and committed to Messrs. Harrison, E. Burroughs and Linn.

The house resumed the consideration of the bill, intitled, "An act for establishing a turnpike road from the town of Hackensack to Hoboken, in the county of Bergen," and having gone through the said bill,

*Ordered,* That the same be engrossed.

Whereas this house, deeply impressed by a sense of the difficulties which, in the present situation, have obstructed a discharge of part of those duties enjoined by the constitution on the individual members of the Legislature, and anxious, as far as possible, to remove those difficulties, by expressing their desire of going into a joint-meeting with the other branch of the Legislature, for the general purpose of appointing a governor and such other state and county officers, civil and military, as might be required by the constitution and laws of

the state, did, by a resolution of the 22d. instant, inform the Council that they were willing to go into a joint-meeting on Thursday the 25th instant, for the purpose of appointing state and county officers ; and although, in the opinion of this house, a message received from the Council on the 23d instant, will, if carried into operation, preclude the joint-meeting from going into any appointments rendered necessary by the existing and approaching vacancies in several important state and county officers, nevertheless, so anxious are the members of this house to endeavour, by every conciliatory mode, to avert the evils attendant on their present embarrassed situation, that they have resolved, that this house will go into a joint-meeting, agreeably to the wish of Council, on to-morrow at three o'clock in the afternoon, for the purpose of appointing a governor, a treasurer, a clerk of the supreme court, and clerks of such counties as are vacant—trusting that measures will be taken, before the Legislature rises, to appoint all the officers necessary for the good government of the state.

*Ordered,* That the clerk do carry the above resolution to Council.

Mr. Scudder, from the committee to whom was referred the petition from the abolition society, presented a bill, intitled, “ An act for the gradual abolition of slavery.”

Which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

The house adjourned to three o'clock, P. M.

The house met.

A petition from Henry Shute, stating a demand against the state and praying payment, was read and committed to Messrs. Burgin, Day and Ray.

Mr. Dann, with leave, presented a bill, intitled, “ An act to regulate the repacking of beef and pork for exportation.”

Which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

Mr. Van Duyn, from the committee to whom was referred the petition from the county of Salem, praying leave to pre-

sent a bill to authorize the running of a road, four rods wide, through a marsh in the township of Alloways-Creek, presented a bill, intitled, "An act to enable the owners and possessors of a body of salt marsh, in the township of Lower-Alloways-Creek, in the county of Salem, to have laid out a private road, four rods wide, through the said marsh."

Which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

Mr. Harrison, from the committee to whom was referred the petition of Hannah Gill, with the papers accompanying the same, presented a bill, intitled, "An act to dissolve the marriage contract between Hannah Gill and John Gill, her husband."

Which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

A message from the Council, by Mr. Beatty, their secretary.  
Mr. Speaker,

The Council have passed the bill, intitled, "An act to raise the sum of fifteen thousand dollars for the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and three ;" and the bill, intitled, "An act to regulate the payment of pensions to invalids and widows," without amendment.

The house resumed the consideration of the bill, intitled, "An act for facilitating the communication from Paulus-Hook, in the county of Bergen, through Newark, Elizabeth-Town, New-Brunswick, Princeton and Trenton, to the river Delaware in the county of Hunterdon," and after some time spent thereon,

*Ordered*, That the further consideration thereof be postponed.

The house adjourned till to-morrow morning, ten of the clock.

*Thursday, November 25, 1802.*

The house met.

Mr. Burgin, from the committee to whom was referred the petition of Henry Shute, stating a demand against the state and praying payment, having examined the petition and

papers accompanying the same, are of opinion that the prayer of the petitioner ought not to be granted.

By order of the committee,

GEORGE BURGIN.

Which report was read and agreed to.

Mr. Dickerson, with leave, presented a bill, intitled, "An additional supplement to the act, intitled, "An act making provision for working and repairing the highways, passed March 6, 1798."

Which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

A message from the Council, by Mr. Beatty, their secretary.

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have passed the bill, intitled, "An act to establish the partition lines of a tract of land therein mentioned," without amendment.

The bill, intitled, "An act to dissolve the marriage contract between Hannah Gill, late Hannah Harrison, and John Gill, her husband," was read a second time and ordered to be engrossed.

The house resumed the consideration of the bill, intitled, "An act for facilitating the communication from Paulus-Hook, in the county of Bergen, through Newark, Elizabeth-Town, New-Brunswick, Princeton and Trenton, to the river Delaware in the county of Hunterdon," and having gone through the said bill, and amended the title, to read, "An act for facilitating the communication from Hudson river, opposite the city of New-York, through Newark, Elizabeth-Town, New-Brunswick, Princeton and Trenton, to the river Delaware."

*Ordered*, That the further consideration of the said bill be postponed.

The house adjourned to three o'clock, P. M.

The house met.

The engrossed bill, intitled, "An act to dissolve the marriage contract between Hannah Gill, late Hannah Harrison, and John Gill, her husband," was read and compared—

On the question, Whether the same do pass? It was carried in the affirmative, as follows:

Yeaſ.	Yeas.	Nays.
Meſſrs. Beatty,	Meſſrs. Howell,	Meſſrs. Dunn,
Blanch,	Kipp,	M' Eowen,
Burgin,	Kitchel,	Van Duyn,
E. Burroughs,	Knott,	Ward.
S. Burrowes,	Lacey,	
Clement,	Ogden,	
Combs,	W. Pearson,	
Corwin,	A. Pierſon,	
Cox,	Ray,	
Day,	Scudder,	
Falkinburge,	Shaver,	
French,	Smith,	
Godwin,	Stockton,	
Gordon,	Vancleve,	
Harrison,	Wyckoff.	

*Ordered*, That the speaker do sign the same, and that the clerk do carry the said bill to the Council for concurrence.

The members withdrew to attend a joint-meeting, and being returned, the speaker resumed the chair, and

The house adjourned till to-morrow morning, ten of the clock.

*Friday, November 26, 1802.*

The house met.

On motion for the house to agree to the following resolution,

*Resolved*, That this house will rise on Wednesday the first day of December next.

On the question, Whether the house agree thereto ? It was carried in the affirmative.

It was further moved, that a message be sent to the Council informing them that this house is desirous of going into a joint-meeting on Tuesday the 28th instant, at such place and hour as Council may fix, for the purpose of appointing all such officers as may be requisite by the laws and constitution of this state.

On the question, Whether the house agree to the said motion ? It was carried in the negative, as follows :

Yea.	Nays.
Messrs. Beatty,	Messrs. Burgin,
Blanch,	E. Burroughs,
S. Burrowes,	Corwin,
Clement,	Cox,
Combs,	Darby,
Dunn,	Day,
Falkiuburge,	Dickerson,
Frelinghuysen,	Godwin,
French,	Gordon,
Harrison,	Howell,
Kipp,	Kitchel,
Lacey,	Knott,
McEowen,	Linn,
W. Pearson,	Ogden,
Van cleve,	A. Pierson,
Van Duyn,	Ray,
Ward,	Scudder,
Wyckoff.	Shaver,
	Smith.

The house resumed the consideration of the bill, intitled, " An act for facilitating the communication from the Hudson river, opposite the city of New-York, through Newark, Elizabeth-Town, New-Brunswick, Princeton and Trenton, to the river Delaware."

A motion was made, that the said bill be postponed until the next sitting of the Legislature.

On the question, Whether the house agree thereto? It was carried in the affirmative, as follows:

Yea.	Nays.
Messrs. Beatty,	Messrs. Burgin,
Blanch,	E. Burroughs,
S. Burrowes,	Darby,
Clement,	Day,
Combs,	Dickerson,
Corwin,	Dunn,
Cox,	Godwin,
Falkinburge,	Howell,
Frelinghuysen,	Knott,
French,	Linn,
Gordon,	Ogden,
Harrison,	W. Pearson,
Kipp,	Ray,
Kitchel,	Shaver,
Lacey,	VanDuyn,
McEowen,	Ward.
A. Pierson,	
Scudder,	
Smith,	
Vancleve,	
Wyckoff.	

The engrossed bill, intitled, "An act to provide for the payment of the officers of the government of the state of New-Jersey," was read and compared—

On the question, Whether the same do pass? It was carried in the affirmative, as follows:

Yea.	Yea.	Yea.
Messrs. Beatty,	Messrs. Frelinghuysen,	Messrs. W. Pearson,
Blanch,	French,	Scudder,
S. Burrowes,	Gordon,	Vancleve,
Clement,	Harrison,	VanDuyn,
Combs,	Howell,	Ward,
Corwin,	Kipp,	Wyckoff.
Cox,	Lacey,	
Dunn,	McEowen,	
Falkinburge,	Ogden,	

Nays.	Nays.	Nays.
Messrs. Burgin,	Messrs. Dickerson,	Messrs. Linn,
E. Burroughs,	Godwin,	Ray,
Darby,	Kitchel,	Smith.
Day,	Knott,	

The engrossed bill, intitled, "An act for establishing a turnpike road from the town of Hackensack to Hoboken, in the county of Bergen," was read and compared—

On the question, Whether the same do pass? It was carried in the affirmative, as follows:

Yea.	Yea.	Nays.
Messrs. Beatty,	Messrs. French,	Messrs. Howell,
Blanch,	Godwin,	Kipp,
Burgin,	Gordon,	Knott,
E. Burroughs,	Harrison,	Linn,
S. Burrowes,	Kitchel,	Ray,
Clement,	Lacey,	Shaver.
Combs,	McEowen,	Van Duyn.
Corwin,	Ogden,	
Cox,	W. Pearson,	
Darby,	A. Pierson,	
Day,	Scudder,	
Dickerson,	Smith,	
Dunn,	Vancleve,	
Falkinburge,	Ward,	
Frelinghuyzen,	Wyckoff.	

Ordered, That the speaker do sign the said bills, and that the clerk do carry the same to the Council, and request their concurrence therein.

On motion,

Ordered, That the committee of elections be discharged.

The house resumed the consideration of the bill, intitled, "A further supplement to an act, intitled, "An act for the punishment of crimes," and having gone through the same,

Ordered, That the said bill be engrossed.

Mr. Kitchel, with leave, presented a bill, intitled, "An act relative to the probate of wills and granting letters of administration."

Which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

A petition from the township committee of Mansfield, in the county of Sussex, praying leave to present a bill to authorize them to recover from the executors, &c. of Hugh Smith, deceased, such part of the estate of the said deceased as is not, by his testament and last will, disposed of for the use of the poor of that township, was read and committed to Messrs. Linn, Ray and Ogdén.

Mr. Dickerson presented a petition, praying that a law may be passed, empowering him, and those with whom he may associate, to erect buildings and other necessary improvements at and about the springs commonly called and known by the name of *The Schooley's Mountain Mineral Springs*.

*Ordered*, That the petitioner have leave to present a bill to answer the prayer of his petition on the second Wednesday of the next sitting of the Legislature, he previously advertising the purport of the bill he means to present, at least three weeks, in the Genius of Liberty, and in three of the most public places in the township where the springs are.

The house adjourned to three o'clock P. M.

The house met.

A message from the Council, by Mr. Beatty, their secretary.

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have passed the bill, intitled, "An act to dissolve the marriage contract between Hannah Gill, late Hannah Harrison, and John Gill her husband."

The bill, intitled, "An act to regulate the repacking of beef and pork for exportation," was read a second time and ordered to be engrossed.

The bill, intitled, "An act to enable the owners and possessors of a body of salt marsh, in the township of Lower-Alloways-Creek, in the county of Salem, to have laid out a public road, four rods wide, through the said marsh," was read a second time and committed to Messrs. VanDuyn, Clement and Smith.

The bill, intitled, "A supplement to the act, intitled, "An act concerning wills," was read a second time and committed to Messrs. Frelinghuysen, Clement and Darby.

The house adjourned till to-morrow morning, ten of the clock.

Saturday, November 27, 1802.

The house met.

Mr. Frelinghuysen, from the committee to whom was referred the bill, intitled, "A supplement to the act, intitled, "An act concerning wills," reported the same with sundry amendments, which were read, agreed to and ordered to be engrossed.

Mr. Kitchel, from the committee to whom was referred the bill, intitled, "An act giving the consent of this state to the United States to purchase lands on Sandy-Hook, for the purpose of erecting a beacon or other needful buildings thereon," reported the same with sundry amendments, which were read; whereupon the house agreed to the first section, and disagreed to the 2d. 3d. 4th. and 5th. sections.

*Ordered,* That the said bill, as amended, be read a third time.

The bill, intitled, "A supplement to the act, intitled, "An act to regulate the election of the Legislative-Council, and General-Assembly, sheriffs and coroners, in this state, passed 22d February, 1797," was read a second time and committed to Messrs. Wyekoff, W. Pearson and Beatty.

The bill, intitled, "An additional supplement to the act, intitled, "An act making provision for working and repairing the highways, passed March 16, 1798," was read a second time and committed to Messrs. French, Dickerson and M'Eowen.

The bill, intitled, "An act for the more equal representation of the county of Essex in the General-Assembly of this state," was read a second time—

On the question, Whether the house agree to the first section of the said bill? It was carried in the negative, as follows:

Nays.	Nays.	Neys.
Messrs. Beatty,	Messrs. Frelinghuysen,	Messrs. Ray,
Blanch,	French,	Scudder,
E. Burroughs	Harrison,	Smith,
S. Burrowes,	Kipp,	Vancleve,
Clement,	Lacey,	Van Duyn,
Combs,	M'Eowen,	Ward,
Falkinburge,	W. Pearson,	Wyckoff.

Yea.	Yea.	Yea.
Messrs. Burgin,	Messrs. Dickerson;	Messrs. Knott,
Corwin,	Godwin,	Linn,
Cox,	Gordon,	Ogden,
Darby,	Howell,	A. Pierson,
Day,	Kitchel,	Shaver.

*Ordered,* That the said bill be dismissed.

The house adjourned to three o'clock P. M.

The house met.

The resolutions from the Legislature of the state of North-Carolina, respecting certain amendments to the constitution of the United States, were read a second time, and referred for further consideration till the second Tuesday of the next sitting.

The house adjourned till Monday morning, ten of the clock.

*Monday, November 29, 1802.*

The house met.

Mr. Linn, from the committee to whom was referred the petition from the committee and chosen freeholders of the township of Mansfield, in the county of Sussex, reported,

'That the facts set forth in said petition have not been made appear to your committee, and therefore your committee recommend that the petition be dismissed.'

By order of the committee,

JOHN LINN.

Which report was read and agreed to.

Mr. McEwen, from the committee to whom was referred the petition of John Bray, acting executor of the estate of the late Thomas Jones of the township of Lebanon, in the county of Hunterdon, praying a law may pass to empower him, the said John Bray, to make titles for land sold by the said Thomas Jones, in his lifetime, to Jacob Nitzer, George Covenhoven and William Hoffman, reported,

That as no testimony appears before your committee to warrant the passing such a law, are therefore of opinion the prayer of the petitioner ought not to be granted.

By order of the committee,

WILLIAM M'EOOWEN.

Which report was read and agreed to.

The bill, intitled, "An act relative to the probate of wills and granting letters of administration, was read a second time, and the usual number of copies directed to be struck off.

*Ordered*, That the further consideration of the said bill be postponed.

Mr. Dickerson, from the committee to whom was referred the bill, intitled, "An additional supplement to the act, intitled, "An act making provision for working and repairing the highways, passed March 16, 1798," reported the same with sundry amendments.

Which was read, agreed to and ordered to be engrossed.

A message from the Council, by Mr. Beatty, their secretary.

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have passed the bill, intitled, "An act to provide for the payment of the officers of government of the state of New-Jersey."

They have passed the bill, intitled, "An act directing the time and manner of electing representatives in the Congress of the United States," with sundry amendments.

Which bill, with the amendments, he presented, and to which amendments he requested the concurrence of this house.

Which bill, as amended, was read and ordered a second reading.

The house resumed the consideration of the bill, intitled, "An act to incorporate the Newark fire-company," and after some time spent thereon,

*Ordered*, That the said bill be referred to the next sitting.

The house resumed the consideration of the bill, intitled, "An act to authorise the owners of a certain tract of woodland therein named, to prevent horses, neat cattle and sheep, from running at large therein," and after some time spent thereon,

*Ordered*, That the said bill be dismissed.

Mr. Wyckoff, from the committee to whom was referred the bill, intitled, "An act to regulate the election of the Legislative-Council and General-Assembly, sheriffs and coroners, in this state, passed 22d February, 1797," reported the same with sundry amendments, which was read.

An amendment was moved to the first section, to exclude all persons from voting excepting free white males—

On the question being put, It was carried in the negative, as follows :

Nays.	Yea.
Messrs. Blanch,	Beatty,
Burgin,	Combs,
E. Burroughs,	Corwin,
S. Burrowes,	Cox,
Clement,	Dunn,
Darby,	Falkinburge,
Day,	Frelinghuysen,
Dickerson,	Gordon,
French,	Kipp,
Godwin,	Kitchel,
Harrison,	Knott,
Howell,	M'Eowen,
Linn,	Ogden,
W. Pearson,	Scudder,
A. Pierson,	VanDuyn.
Ray,	
Shaver,	
Smith,	
Vancleve,	
Ward,	
Wyckoff.	

The house having gone through the said bill,

*Ordered*, That the same be engrossed.

The engrossed bill, intitled, "An act to regulate the repacking of beef and pork for exportation," was read and compared—

On the question, Whether the same do pass? It was carried in the affirmative, as follows:

Yeaſ.	Yeas.	Nays.
Meffrs. Beatty,	Meffrs. Howell,	Meffrs. S. Burrowes,
Blanch,	Kipp,	Clement.
Burgin,	Kitchel,	
E. Burroughs	Knott,	
Combs,	Linn,	
Corwin,	McEowen,	
Cox,	W. Pearson,	
Darby,	A. Pierson,	
Day,	Ray,	
Dickerson,	Scudder,	
Dunn,	Shaver,	
Falkinburge,	Smith,	
Frelinghuyſen,	Vancleve,	
French,	Van Duyn,	
Godwin,	Ward,	
Gordon,	Wyckoff.	
Harrison,		

*Ordered*, That that the speaker do sign the said bill, and that the clerk do carry the same to the Council for concurrence.

The house adjourned to three o'clock P. M.

The house met.

Mr. Van Duyn, from the committee to whom was referred the bill, intitled, "An act to enable the owners and possessors of a large body of salt marsh, in the township of Lower-Alloways-Creek, in the county of Salem, to have a private road, four rods wide, laid through the same," reported the same with sundry amendments.

Which was read, agreed to and ordered to be engrossed.

Mr. Scudder, from the committee to whom was referred the representation of the trustees of the college of Princeton, reported as follows :

That although they are fully sensible of the great public utility of the said institution, and sincerely wish a restoration of the college edifice, library, &c. yet in their opinion, it would be inexpedient at this late period of the session, to make any appropriation for that purpose ; and at the same time, propose the following question for the consideration of this house, viz.

Would it be expedient to pass a law authorizing the trustees of said college to make a lottery for raising the sum of ten thousand dollars for the benefit of that institution ?

By order of the committee,

J. A. SCUDDER.

Which report was read and ordered a second reading.

The bill, intitled, " An act giving the consent of this state to the United States to purchase lands on Sandy-Hook, for the purpose of erecting a beacon or other needful buildings thereon," was read a third time, as amended—

On the question, Whether the same, as amended, do pass ? It was carried in the affirmative, as follows :

Yea.	Yea.	Nay.
Messrs. Blanch,	Messrs. Kitchel,	Messrs. S. Burrowes,
Burgin,	Knott,	Dunn.
Clement,	Lacey,	
Combs,	Linn,	
Corwin,	McEowen,	
Cox,	Ogden,	
Darby,	W. Pearson,	
Day,	A. Pierson,	
Dickerson,	Ray,	
Falkinburge,	Scudder,	
Frelinghuysen,	Shaver,	
French,	Smith,	
Godwin,	Stockton,	
Gordon,	Vancleve,	
Harrison,	Van Duyn,	
Howell,	Ward,	
Kipp,	Wyckoff.	

*Ordered,* That the speaker do sign the said bill and amendments, and that the clerk do carry the said bill and amendments to Council, and request their concurrence in the said amendments.

The engrossed bill, intitled, "A supplement to the act, intitled, "An act concerning wills," was read and compared—

*Resolved unanimously,* That the same do pass.

*Ordered,* That the speaker do sign the same, and that the clerk do carry the said bill to the Council and request their concurrence therein.

The bill, intitled, "An act directing the time and manner of electing representatives in the House of Representatives of the Congress of the United States," with the amendments made thereto by Council, was taken up:

Which amendments were, to strike out the original bill, and substitute, in lieu thereof, a bill for a general, instead of a district election.

On the question, Whether the house agree to the amendments made thereto by Council? It was carried in the negative, as follows:

Nays.

Messrs. Beatty,  
Blanch,  
S. Burrowes,  
Clement,  
Combs,  
Dunn,  
Falkinburge,  
Frelinghuysen,  
French,  
Harrison,  
Kipp,  
Lacey,  
McEowen,  
W. Pearson,  
Stockton,  
Vancleave,  
Van Duyn,  
Ward,  
Wyckoff,  
Speaker.

Yea.

Messrs. Burgin,  
E. Burroughs,  
Corwin,  
Cox,  
Darby,  
Day,  
Dickerson,  
Godwin,  
Gordon,  
Howell,  
Kitchel,  
Knott,  
Linn,  
Ogden,  
A. Pierson,  
Ray,  
Scudder,  
Shaver,  
Smith.

*Ordered,* That the clerk do carry back the said bill and amendments to the Council, and acquaint them that this house have disagreed to the said amendments, and do adhere to their bill.

The bill, intitled, "A further supplement to an act, intitled, "An act to prescribe the manner of appointing senators of the United States and electors of president and vice-president of the United States, on the part of this state," with the amendments made thereto by Council, was read a second time.

A motion was made that the said bill be referred to the next fitting—

On the question, Whether the house agree thereto? It was carried in the negative.

On the question, Whether the house agree to the first section of the amendments made thereto by Council? It was carried in the affirmative, as follows:

Yea.

Messrs. Burgin,  
E. Burroughs,  
Corwin,  
Cox,  
Darby,  
Day,  
Dickerson,  
Godwin,  
Gordon,  
Howell,  
Kitchel,  
Knott,  
Linn,  
Ogden,  
A. Pierson,  
Ray,  
Scudder,  
Shaver,  
Smith.

Nays.

Messrs. Beatty,  
Blanch,  
S. Burrowes,  
Clement,  
Combs,  
Falkinburge,  
Frelinghuysen,  
French,  
Harrison,  
Kipp,  
Lacey,  
M'Eowen,  
W. Pearson,  
Stockton,  
Vancleve,  
VanDuyne,  
Ward,  
Wyckoff.

The house having gone through the said bill,

*Resolved*, That this house do disagree to the amendments made to the said bill, and do adhere to their bill.

*Ordered*, That the clerk do carry back the said bill and amendments to the Council, and acquaint them therewith.

A message from the Council, by Mr. Beatty, their secretary.

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have passed the bill, intitled, "An act for establishing a turnpike road from the town of Hackensack to Hoboken, in the county of Bergen," with sundry amendments.

Which bill and amendments he presented, and to which he requested the concurrence of this house.

Which bill, as amended, was read, the amendments agreed to, and the bill ordered to be re-engrossed.

A petition from the county of Monmouth, stating objections to the act relative to pedlars, and praying that the said act may be repealed, was read and referred to the next sitting.

The speaker laid before the house the bond given by James Saltar, Esqr. treasurer of the state, with securities for the faithful discharge of his office, as treasurer.

*Resolved*, That this house do approve of the said bond and the security thereby given.

*Ordered*, That the clerk do carry the said bond to Council, and acquaint them that this house do approve of the said bond and the security thereby given.

Mr. Combs, from the committee to whom was referred the petition of John Anderson, praying leave to present a bill, authorizing the administrators of Daniel Marsh, deceased, to make him a deed for a certain lot of land purchased of the said Daniel Marsh, in his lifetime, reported,

That it is the opinion of your committee, that the petitioner have leave to present a bill agreeably to the prayer of his petition, on the second Wednesday of the next sitting of the Legislature, he giving at least four weeks previous notice, by advertisement in two of the public news-papers printed in the

county of Essex, and in three of the most public places in the township where the land lies, of the purport of his application.

By order of the committee,

JOHN COMBS.

Which report was read and agreed to.

The report of Mr. Scudder, from the committee to whom was referred the representation of the trustees of the college at Princeton, was taken up and read a second time; whereupon,

A motion was made, that leave be given to present a bill to authorize the trustees of the College of New-Jersey to raise 10,000 dollars, by way of lottery, to aid them in rebuilding the college edifice.

On the question, Whether the house agree thereto? It was carried in the negative.

The house adjourned till to-morrow morning, ten of the clock.

*Tuesday, November 30, 1802.*

The house met.

The engrossed bill, intitled, "A further supplement to an act, intitled, "An act for the punishment of crimes," was read and compared—

On the question, Whether the same do pass? It was carried in the affirmative; as follows:

Yea.	Yea.	Yea.
Messrs. Beatty,	Messrs. French,	Messrs. Vancleave,
Blanch,	Godwin,	Ward.
Burgin,	Gordon,	
F. Burroughs,	Harrison,	
S. Burrowes,	Lacey,	
Clement,	W. Pearson,	
Cox,	Ray,	
Dunn,	Smith,	
Falkinburge,	Stockton,	

Nays.	Nays.	Nays.
Messrs. Combs,	Messrs. Kipp,	Messrs. A. Pierson;
Corwin,	Knott,	Scudder,
Darby,	Linn,	Shaver,
Day,	M'Lowen,	VanDuyn,
Frelinghuysen,	Ogden,	Wyckoff.
Howell,		

*Ordered*, That the speaker do sign the same, and that the clerk do carry the said bill to the Council for concurrence.

The bill, intitled, "An act for the gradual abolition of slavery," was read a second time.

A motion was made that the said bill be referred to the next sitting.

On the question, Whether the house agree thereto? It was carried in the affirmative, as follows:

Yays.	Nays.
Messrs. Beatty,	Messrs. Burgin,
Blanch,	E. Burroughs,
S. Burrowes,	Clement,
Combs,	Darby,
Corwin,	Day,
Cox,	Dickerson,
Dunn,	French,
Falkinburge,	Godwin,
Frelinghuysen,	Gordon,
Harrison,	Lacey,
Howell,	W. Pearson,
Kipp,	Ray,
Kitchel,	Scudder,
Knott,	Smith,
Linn,	Stockton.
M'Lowen,	
Ogden,	
A. Pierson,	
Shaver,	
Vancleave,	
VanDuyn,	
Ward,	
Wyckoff.	

*Ordered,* That the said bill be referred to the next sitting.

A message from the Council, by Mr. Beatty, their secretary.  
Mr. Speaker,

The Council do adhere to their bill, intitled, "An act giving the consent of this state to the United States to purchase land on Sandy-Hook, for the purpose of erecting a beacon or other needful buildings thereon," and do disagree to the amendments made thereto by the House of Assembly.

On the question, Whether the house will recede from their amendments made to the said bill ? It was carried in the negative, as follows :

Yea.	Nay.
Messrs. Beatty,	Messrs. Blanch,
Burgin,	S. Burrowes,
E. Burroughs,	Clement,
Corwin,	Combs,
Darby,	Cox,
Dickerson,	Falkinburge,
Dunn,	Frelinghuyfen,
Godwin,	French,
Gordon,	Harrifon,
Kitchel,	Howell,
Linn,	Kipp,
Ogden,	Knott,
A. Pierson,	Lacey,
Ray,	McEowen,
Scudder,	W. Pearson,
Smith.	Shaver,
	Stockton,
	Vancleve,
	VanDuyne,
	Ward,
	Wyckoff.

*Ordered,* That the clerk do wait on the Council and acquaint them that this house do adhere to their amendments made to the said bill, and which have been disagreed to by the Council.

The engrossed bill, intitled, "An additional supplement to the act, intitled, "An act making provision for working and repairing the highways," passed March 16, 1798, was read and compared—

On the question, Whether the same do pass? It was carried in the negative, as follows:

## Nays.

Messrs. Beatty,  
Burgin,  
S. Burrowes,  
Clement,  
Combs,  
Cox,  
Dunn,  
Falkinburge,  
French,  
Gordon,  
Harrison,  
Howell,  
Knott,  
Lacey,  
Linn,  
Ray,  
Shaver,  
Ward.

## Yea.

Messrs. Blanch,  
E. Burroughs,  
Corwin,  
Darby,  
Day,  
Dickerson,  
Godwin,  
Kipp,  
Kitchel,  
M' Eowen,  
Ogden,  
A. Pierson,  
Scudder,  
Smith,  
Stockton,  
Vancleve,  
Van Duyn,  
Wyckoff.

There not being twenty members in favor of the said bill, the same was lost.

Mr. Ward, from the committee to whom was referred the petition of Henry Perrine, reported as follows:

That it appears from the deeds, exhibits, and other proofs laid before your committee, that the said Henry Perrine was the purchaser, at a commissioners sale for the county of Monmouth, of a real estate said to belong to John Taylor and Morford Taylor, and forfeited to the said state by virtue of the act of the Legislature passed for the purpose of forfeiting to and vesting in the state of New-Jersey, the real estates of certain fugitives and offenders, on the 11th day of December, 1778; that the said commissioners accordingly made him a deed, and he paid the consideration money for the same,

amounting to £501 16s 2d, and that there now remains of the said purchase money, in the treasury, the sum of £501 16s 2d; that a suit has been brought against the said Henry Perrine, and a defence made thereto, and that a judgment has passed against him, in the circuit court of the United States, in the term of October, 1800, whereby the land so purchased by the said Henry Perrine, at the said commissioners sale, has been recovered of him.

That under the provisions of the above mentioned act, it appears that the Legislature did intend that in case any person should be injured by the purchase of any such estate, that he should apply to the Legislature to be indemnified out of the public treasury, to the amount of the purchase money received for such estate.

That in many instances the Legislature have granted indemnifications to persons applying, in circumstances similar to the present, and your committee are of opinion that as this recovery against the said Perrine has been had so lately as the month of October, 1800, and no wilful latches on his part, that the said petitioner ought to receive from the treasury the amount of the said purchase money, and that he have leave to present a bill for that purpose.

PETER WARD,  
ABM. SHAVER.

*Ordered,* That the said report be read a second time.

The bill, intitled, "An act to defray sundry incidental charges," was read a second time, and after some time spent thereon,

*Ordered,* That the further consideration thereof be postponed.

Mr. Dunn, with leave, presented a bill, intitled, "An act for constituting and appointing new trustees to execute and fulfil the trusts in the last will and testament of Philip Kearney, deceased, for Susanna Stevens and her issue, with petitions from the legal representatives of James Kinsey, esquire, former trustee, and also from the said Susanna Stevens, Susanna R. Roe, and John Roe, praying that the said bill may be passed into a law, was read and ordered a second reading.

The house adjourned to three o'clock P. M.

The house met.

The re-engrossed bill, intitled, "An act for establishing a turnpike road from the town of Hackensack to Hoboken, in the county of Bergen," was read and compared—

On the question, Whether the same do pass? It was carried in the affirmative, as follows:

Yea.	Yea.	Nay.
Messrs. Beatty,	Messrs. Godwin,	Messrs. Howell,
Blanch,	Gordon,	Kipp,
Burgin,	Harrison,	Knott,
E. Burroughs,	Kitchel,	Shaver,
S. Burrowes,	Lacey,	Van Duyn,
Clement,	Linn,	
Combs,	McEowen,	
Corwin,	Ogden,	
Cox,	W. Pearson,	
Darby,	A. Pierson,	
Day,	Ray,	
Dickerson,	Scudder,	
Dunn,	Smith,	
Falkinburge,	Vancleve,	
Frelinghuysen,	Ward,	
French,	Wyckoff.	

Ordered, That that the speaker do sign the said bill, and that the clerk do carry the same to the Council, and acquaint them that the said bill is passed by this house with their amendments.

The bill, intitled, "An act for constituting and appointing new trustees to execute and fulfil the trusts in the last will and testament of Philip Kearney, deceased, for Susanna Stevens and her issue," was read a second time and ordered to be engrossed.

A message from the Council, by Mr. Beatty, their secretary.

Mr. Speaker,

The Council do adhere to their amendments made to the bill, intitled, "An act directing the time and manner of electing representatives in the House of Representatives of the

Congress of the United States," and the bill, intitled, "A further supplement to an act, intitled, "An act to prescribe the manner of appointing senators of the United States, and electors of president and vice-president of the United States, on the part of this state."

The engrossed bill, intitled, "An act for constituting and appointing new trustees to execute and fulfil the trusts in the last will and testament of Philip Kearney, deceased, for Susanna Stevens and her issue," was read and compared—

On the question, Whether the same do pass? It was carried in the affirmative, as follows:

Yea.	Yea.	Nay.
Messrs. Beatty,	Messrs. Howell,	Messrs. Burgin,
Blanch,	Kipp,	Dickerson,
E. Burroughs	Kitchel,	Linn,
S. Burrowes,	Knott,	Shaver.
Clement,	Lacey,	
Combs,	M'Eowen,	
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Cox,	W. Pearson,	
Darby,	A. Pierson,	
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Falkinburge,	Smith,	
Frelinghuysen,	Stockton,	
French,	Vancleve,	
Godwin,	Van Duyn,	
Gordon,	Ward,	
Harrison,	Wyckoff.	

*Ordered*, That the speaker do sign the said bill, and that the clerk do carry the said bill to the Council for concurrence.

Mr. Gordon, appointed by the Legislature to make sundry repairs to the State-House, reported,

That he had complied with the orders of the Legislature, and had the several repairs ordered accomplished, excepting the Council-room, which was thought advisable to postpone;

until it was fully ascertained the leaking through the roof was prevented.

He also reported that in accomplishing the several repairs, he had expended 180 dols. 44 cts. leaving a surplus unexpended of 19 dols. 56 cts. a sufficiency to complete the repairs contemplated.

A message from the Council, by Mr. Beatty, their secretary.

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have passed the bill, intitled, "An act to incorporate certain persons for the purpose of making the waters of the river Raritan navigable," with sundry amendments, and the bill, intitled, "An act to regulate the repacking of beef and pork for exportation," with sundry amendments.

Which bills, as amended, he presented, and to which amendments he requested the concurrence of this house.

The said first mentioned bill was read with the amendments, the amendments agreed to, and the bill ordered to be re-engrossed.

*Ordered*, That the bill last mentioned in the above message be postponed.

The house resumed the consideration of the bill, intitled, "An act to defray sundry incidental charges," and after some time spent thereon,

*Ordered*, That the account of Thomas Walton be committed to Messrs. Van Duyn, Day and Ward, to report thereon, and that the further consideration of the bill be postponed.

The house adjourned till to-morrow morning, ten of the clock.

*Wednesday, December 1, 1802.*

The house met.

The engrossed bill, intitled, "An act to enable the owners and possessors of a large body of salt marsh in the township of Lower-Alloways-Creek, in the county of Salem, to have a

private road, four rods wide, laid through the same, was read and compared—

*Resolved unanimously,* That the same do pass.

*Ordered,* That the speaker do sign the same, and that the clerk do carry the said bill to the Council and request their concurrence therein.

The engrossed bill, intitled, "A supplement to the act, intitled, "An act to regulate the election of members of the Legislative-Council and General Assembly, sheriffs and coroners, in this state, passed the 22d day of February, 1797," was read and compared—

On the question, Whether the same do pass? It was carried in the affirmative, as follows:

Yea.	Yea.	Nay.
Messrs. Beatty,	Messrs. Kitchel,	Messrs. Blanch,
E. Burroughs	Knott,	Burgin,
Combs,	Linn,	S. Burrowes,
Corwin,	M'Eowen,	Clement,
Cox,	Ogden,	Dickerson,
Darby,	A. Pierson,	Dunn,
Day,	Ray,	Falkinburge,
Frelinghuysen,	Scudder,	French,
Godwin,	Shaver,	Harrison,
Gordon,	Smith,	Lacey,
Howell,	Van Duyn,	W. Pearson,
Kipp,	Wyckoff.	Stockton,
		Vancleve,
		Ward.

*Ordered,* That the speaker do sign the same, and that the clerk do carry the said bill to the Council for concurrence.

Mr. Van Duyn, from the committee to whom was referred the account of Thomas Walton of the county of Monmouth, reported,

That they have examined the same, and are of opinion the account ought not to be allowed, and that the said Walton have leave to withdraw his papers.

By order of the committee,

JAMES VAN DUYN.

Which report was read and agreed to.

The house resumed the consideration of the bill, intitled,  
"An act to defray sundry incidental charges."

On the question, Whether the house will allow Wilson & Blackwell the sum of ten dollars, for publishing several laws of the last session? It was carried in the negative, as follows:

Yea.	Nays.	Nays.
Messrs. Burgin,	Messrs. Beatty,	Messrs. Knott,
E. Burroughs,	Blanch,	Lacey,
Corwin,	S. Burrowes,	Linn,
Cox,	Clement,	M' Eowen,
Gordon,	Combs,	W. Pearson,
Godwin,	Darby,	A. Pierson,
Ogden.	Day,	Ray,
	Dickerson,	Scudder,
	Dunn,	Shaver,
	Falkinbarge,	Smith,
	Frelinghuysen,	Stockton,
	French,	Vancleave,
	Harrison,	VanDuyn,
	Howell,	Ward.
	Kipp,	Wyckoff.
	Kitchel,	

The house having gone through the said bill,

Ordered, That the same be engrossed.

The house adjourned to three o'clock P. M.

The house met.

A message from the Council, by Mr. Beatty, their secretary.

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have passed the bill, intitled, "An act for constituting and appointing new trustees to execute and fulfil the trusts in the last will and testament of Philip Kearney, deceased, for Susanna Stevens and her issue; and the bill, intitled, "A further supplement to an act, intitled, "An act for the punishment of crimes," without amendment.

The Council have disagreed to the bill, intitled, "A supplement to an act, intitled, "An act concerning wills."

On motion,

*Resolved*, That Peter Gordon, Esq. be, and he is hereby directed, to cause a new carpet to be placed on the floor of the Assembly-room, and after retaining so much of the old carpet as may be necessary to cover the gallery of the Assembly-room, to dispose of the remainder for what it may bring; also to cause the carpet of the Council-room to be repaired, and that the Legislature will hereafter provide for the expense.

*Ordered*, That the clerk do carry the said resolution to the Council for concurrence.

The report of Mr. Blanch, from the committee to whom was referred the letter of John Rutherford relative to the certificate of pay due major general lord Sterling, was read a second time.

*Resolved*, That the house do agree to the account between the state of New-Jersey and the said lord Sterling, as stated in the report of the committee.

The engrossed bill, intitled, "An act to defray sundry incidental charges," was read and compared—

*Resolved unanimously*, That the same do pass.

*Ordered*, That the speaker do sign the same, and that the clerk do carry the said bill to the Council for concurrence.

A message from the Council, by Mr. Beatty, their secretary.

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have passed the bill, intitled, "An act to enable the owners and possessors of a large body of salt marsh, in the township of Lower-Alloways-Creek, in the county of Salem, to have a private road, four rods wide, laid through the same," without amendment.

*Ordered*, That the clerk be directed to furnish Sherman and Mershon with a list of the laws passed this sitting, and that the usual number of copies be struck off for the use of the members.

The re-engrossed bill, intitled, "An act to incorporate certain persons for the purpose of making the waters of the river Raritan Navigable," was read and compared—

On the question, Whether the same do pass? It was carried in the affirmative, as follows:

Yea.	Yea.	Nay.
Messrs. Beatty,	Messrs. Gordon,	Messrs. Cox,
Blanch,	Harrison,	Day,
Burgin,	Kipp,	Howell,
S. Burrowes,	Lacey,	Kitchel,
Clement,	McEowen,	Knott,
Combs,	W. Pearson,	Linn,
Corwin,	A. Pierson,	Ogden,
Darby,	Scudder,	Ray,
Dickerson,	Smith,	Shaver.
Dunn,	Stockton,	
Falkinburge,	Vancleve,	
Frelinghuysen,	Van Duyn,	
French,	Ward,	
Godwin,	Wyckoff.	

Ordered, That the speaker do sign the same, and that the clerk do carry the said bill to Council, and acquaint them that the same is passed by this house with their amendments.

The house adjourned till to-morrow morning, 8 of the clock.

*Thursday, December 2, 1802.*

The house met.

The re-engrossed bill, intitled, "An act to regulate the repacking of beef and pork for exportation," was read and compared—

On the question, Whether the same do pass? It was carried in the affirmative, as follows:

Yea.	Yea.	Yea.
Messrs. Beatty,	Messrs. Darby,	Messrs. Godwin,
Blanch,	Dickerson,	Gordon,
Burgin,	Dunn,	Harrison,
Combs,	Falkinburge,	Howell,
Corwin,	Frelinghuysen,	Kipp,
Cox,	French,	Kitchel,

Yeaſ.	Yeaſ.	Nayſ.
Meffrs. Lacey,	Meffrs. Shaver,	Meffrs. E. Burroughs,
Linn,	Smith,	S. Burrowes,
M'Eowen,	Stockton,	Clement,
Ogden,	Vancleve,	Knott,
W. Pearson,	VanDuyne,	Ray.
A. Pierson,	Ward,	
Scudder,	Wyckoff.	

*Ordered*, That the speaker do sign the said bill, and that the clerk do carry the same to the Council, and acquaint them that the said bill is passed by this house with their amendments.

A message from the Council, by Mr. Beatty, their secretary.

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have passed the bill for defraying sundry incidental charges, and have concurred in the resolution directing Peter Gordon to cause a new carpet to be placed on the floor of the Assembly-room:

The report of Mr. Ward, on the petition of Henry Perrine of the 30th ultimo, was read a second time and disagreed to; whereupon,

*Ordered*, That the petition of Henry Perrine be dismissed.

The speaker laid before the house a letter to him, from Mr. Nathan Combes, accompanied with an inkstand and letter-press, manufactured at his works of Nova-Scotia Plaster, which he presents for the use of the speaker of the General Assembly.

The house rose without day.

VOTES  
AND  
PROCEEDINGS  
OF THE  
TWENTY-EIGHTH  
GENERAL ASSEMBLY,  
OF THE  
**State of New-Jersey.**

AT A SESSION BEGUN AT TRENTON,  
*On Tuesday, the Twenty-fifth day of October, one thousand*  
*eight hundred and three,*

AND CONTINUED BY ADJOURNMENTS.

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BEING THE FIRST SITTING.

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## *List of Persons Returned as Members of the Legislative Council.*

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Bergen,	John Outwater,
Essex,	William S. Pennington,
Middlesex,	Ephraim Martin,
Monmouth,	Thomas Little,
Somerset,	Peter D. Vroom,
Burlington,	Samuel Hough,
Gloucester,	Isaac Mickle,
Salem,	William Parret,
Cape May,	Ebenezer Newton,
Hudson,	John Lambert, V. P.
Morris,	David Welsh,
Cumberland,	George Burgin,
Sussex,	William McCullough,

THE HONORABLES } Esquires.

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## *List of Persons Returned as Members of the General Assembly.*

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### BERGEN.

Thomas Blanch, Isaac Kipp, Martin I. Ryerson, Esquires.

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### ESSEX.

Abraham Godwin, Israel Day, Ezra Darby, Esquires.

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### MIDDLESEX.

Ercuries Beatty, Gershon Dunn, James Voorhees, Esqr's.

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### MONMOUTH.

James Cox, Peter Knott, John A. Scudder, Esquires.

## SOMERSET.

Frederick Frelinghuysen, James Van Duyn, William M<sup>c</sup>-Eowen, Esquires.

## BURLINGTON.

William Coxe, William Pearson, William Stockton, John Lacey, Esquires.

## GLOUCESTER.

Joseph Cooper, Robert Newell, Richard Risley, Esquires.

## SALEM.

Edward Burroughs, Merryman Smith, Samuel Ray, Esqrs.

## CAPE-MAY.

Joseph Faulkenburge, Esquire.

## HUNTERDON.

Peter Gordon, Joseph Hankinson, John Haas, Nathan Stout, Esquires.

## MORRIS.

Aaron Kitchell, William Corwin, Jonathan Ogden, Esqrs.

## CUMBERLAND.

Azel Pierson, Robert Smith, Esquires.

## SUSSEX.

Levi Howell, John Linn, Abraham Shaver, John Johnson, Esquires.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS  
OF THE  
*TWENTY-EIGHTH*  
**General Assembly,**  
OF THE  
STATE OF NEW-JERSEY.

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TRENTON, *October 25, 1803.*

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**T**HIS being the time and place appointed by law, for the first meeting of the General Assembly, the following persons, to wit, Thomas Blanch, Isaac Kipp and Martin I. Ryerson, as Representatives for the County of Bergen; Abraham Godwin, Israel Day and Ezra Darby, as Representatives for the County of Essex; Ercuries Beatty and James Voorhees, as Representatives for the County of Middlesex; James Cox, Peter Knott and John A. Scudder, as Representatives for the County of Monmouth; Frederick Frelinghuysen, James Van Duyt and William M'Eowen, as Representatives for the County of Somerset; William Pearson, William Cox, William Stockton and John Lacey, as Representatives for the County of Burlington; Joseph Cooper, Robert Newell and Richard Risley, as Representatives for the County of Gloucester; Edward Burroughs, Merryman Smith and Samuel Ray, as Representatives for the County of Salem; Joseph Falkenburg, as Representative for the County of Cape-May; Peter Gordon, Joseph Hankinson and John Haas, as Representatives for the County of Hunterdon; Aaron Kitchell, William Corwin and Jonathan Ogden, as

Representatives for the County of Morris ; John Linn, Levi Howell, Abraham Shaver and John Johnson, as Representatives for the County of Sussex, attended, and produced the respective Certificates of their election ; which were read, approved, and ordered to be filed : Whereupon,

Joseph Cooper, Esquire, was appointed, agreeably to the constitution, to qualify Peter Gordon, Esquire ; who being duly sworn, took his seat ; and the remaining members being qualified by the said Peter Gordon, took their seats in the House.

The Members proceeded to the appointment of a Speaker ; when the Honorable Peter Gordon was chosen, and took the chair.

The House proceeded to the election of a Clerk ; when James J. Wilson was chosen ; and the Clerk not appearing, the House appointed John Linn, Esquire, their Clerk, pro tempore.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do wait on Council, and acquaint them, that this House have met, and elected the honorable Peter Gordon, their Speaker, James J. Wilson, their Clerk ; and that the Clerk not appearing, have appointed John Linn, Esquire, their Clerk, pro tem. and proceeded to business.

*Resolved*, That David Wrighter be door-keeper to this House during the present session.

A message from the Council by Mr. Beatty, their Secretary :

Mr. Speaker,

A sufficient number of Members of Council, have, this day, met, elected the honorable John Lambert, Esquire, Vice-President, John Beatty, their Secretary, and proceeded to business.

*Ordered*, That Messrs. Beatty, Scudder and A. Pierson, be a committee to bring forward a draft of rules and regulations for the Government of this House.

*Ordered*, That Messrs. Van Duyn, W. Pearson and Knott, be a committee to examine the Minutes of last sitting, and report the business referred, or remaining unfinished.

A letter was received and read, from James Salter, Treasurer, informing the House that the Treasury had been lately robbed of a large sum of money.

*Ordered*, That Messrs. Cooper, W. Coxe and Darby, be a committee to join a committee of Council, for the purpose of enquiring into the said robbery, and that the Clerk inform Council thereof.

The house adjourned till to-morrow morning, ten o'clock.

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WEDNESDAY, *October 26, 1803.*

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The House met.

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Nathan Stout, Representative for the County of Hunterdon, came into the House, and being sworn, took his seat.

Mr. Beatty, from the committee appointed to draft rules and regulations for the government of the House, reported the former rules, with the additional rule agreed to last session ; which being read and amended, were agreed to by the House, and ordered to be transcribed anew, for the use of the House.

A message from Council, by Mr. Beatty, their Secretary, informed the House, that Council had appointed Mr. Parret and Mr. D. Vroom, or either of them, a committee on the part of Council, to join a committee of this House, for the purpose of enquiring into the robbery committed on the Treasury of this State.

Mr. Van Duyn, from the committee appointed to report the unfinished business of last sitting, reported a list of the same.

No. 1. The Report of Mr. Lacey of the 16th November, on the bill entitled, "An act to build a toll bridge over Rahway River, and for other purposes therein mentioned; and

2. A letter from the Treasurer, were ordered a second reading.

3. The bill entitled, "An act for facilitating the communication from the Hudson River, opposite the City of New-York, through Newark, Elizabeth-Town, New-Brunswick, Princeton and Trenton, to the River Delaware;"

4. The bill entitled, "An act to incorporate the Newark Fire Company;"

5. The bill entitled, "An act for the gradual abolition of slavery;"

6. A petition from the County of Monmouth, praying that a law may be enacted to inflict a certain penalty on all such as shall, in future, vend goods, as Hawkers, Pedlars or Petty-Chapmen, and repeal the act concerning them, which is now in force; were severally read, and referred to the next sitting.

7. The Resolutions from the State of North-Carolina, respecting Electors of President and Vice-President of the United States, was referred to be considered on the second Tuesday of the next sitting.

8. The bill entitled, "An act relative to the Probate of Wills, and granting Letters of Administration," ordered a second reading.

No. 1, was postponed.

No. 2, was ordered to be filed.

No. 3, Postponed.

No. 4, Postponed.

No. 5, Postponed.

No. 6. Read, and ordered to be committed to Messrs. J. Cox, Blanch and Burroughs.

No. 7. Postponed to the second Tuesday of this sitting.

No. 8. was read and ordered a second reading.

Mr. Kitchell presented a bill, entitled, " An act to alter the time of choosing the Inspectors of the State-Prison ;" which was read, and ordered a second reading.

The bill was taken up on the second reading, and by sections agreed to, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Message was sent to Council, informing them, that this House were ready to go into a joint-meeting, for the choice of a Governor, Inspectors of the State-Prison, and Clerks of any Counties in which there was a vacancy, and requesting Council to appoint the time and place.

Mr. Johnson presented a bill, entitled, An act directing the time and mode of electing Representatives in the House of Representatives of the Congress of the United States, for this state ; which was read, and ordered a second reading.

A petition was presented from a number of the inhabitants of the County of Burlington, praying that a law may be passed to make the trespass of cutting timber an indictable offence ; which petition was read, and committed to Messrs. Stockton, M. Smith and Stout.

*Ordered,* That Messrs. Frelinghuysen, Scudder and M'Eowen, be a committee to examine and correct the minutes.

A message was received from Council, by Mr. Beatty, their Secretary, informing this House, that they will be ready to go into joint meeting, to-morrow, at three o'clock in the afternoon, for the purpose of appointing a Go-

vener, Inspectors of the State-Prison, and the Clerks of such Counties, where vacancies now exist.

The House adjourned to three o'clock this afternoon.

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Three o'clock afternoon....The House met.

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The engrossed bill, entitled, "An Act to alter the time choosing the Inspectors of the State-Prison," was read, and passed unanimously.

James J. Wilson, yesterday elected Clerk of this House, appeared, was duly qualified, and took upon himself the duties of the appointment.

A petition was presented to the house, for an act to authorize Timothy Brewster to erect a Mill-dam on Woodbridge Creek, at a place called Longreach; which was read, and committed to Messrs. Beatty, Darby and Shaver.

A petition from the owners of land, through which the turnpike road from Elizabeth-town to Morristown is staked out, and intended to be run, praying the interference of the Legislature, was read, and committed to Messrs. Frelinghuysen, Day and Lacey.

The house adjourned to ten o'clock to-morrow morning.

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THURSDAY, *October 27, 1803.*

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Ten o'clock....The House met.

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The committee to whom was referred the petition of a number of inhabitants of the county of Morris, respecting the Morris turnpike road, report,

That the law furnishes adequate remedies in the premises.

By order of the Committee,

FREDERICK FRELINGHUYSEN.

Which report was read, and ordered to lie on the table.

The committee to whom was referred the petition from sundry inhabitants of the township of Woodbridge, in the county of Middlesex, praying leave for Timothy Brewster to erect a Mill-dam across Woodbridge Creek, under certain restrictions, Report, as their opinion,

That Timothy Brewster have leave to present a bill to this House, on Monday, the 14th day of November next, to answer the prayer of the petition; he advertising the purport of the bill he means to present, two weeks, in the Elizabeth-Town and New-Brunswick newspapers, also in three several of the most public places in the Township of Woodbridge, adjacent to the place where the said mill-dam is purposed to be erected, including the order of this House thereon.

By order of the Committee,

E. BEATTY.

Which report, was read and agreed to, by the House.

Several petitions from a number of inhabitants of the townships of Roxbury and Pequanack, in the County of Morris, praying that they may be incorporated into a new township, to be called the township of Mount-Vernon, were presented and read.

*Ordered*, That the said petitions be committed to Messrs. Ogden, Kipp and Hankinson.

A petition was presented from Ann Blackwood, and John S. Whitall, administrators of John Blackwood, late of the County of Gloucester, deceased, for leave to bring in a bill to authorize the said administrators to join certain persons therein mentioned, in executing certain deeds of conveyance, and to make sale and conveyance of certain lands

therein mentioned ; which petition was read, and committed to Messrs. Kitchell, Cooper and R. Smith.

*Ordered,* That the following be added to the Standing Rules of this House :

No committee shall report by bill, unless particularly instructed by the House.

*Ordered,* That the Clerk be directed to have the usual number of Copies of the Rules and Regulations of this House printed, for the use of the Members.

*Ordered,* That Messrs. Kitchell, Frelinghuysen, Falkenburg, Haas and Linn, be a committee of elections.

A message from Council, by Mr. Beatty, their Secretary, informed the House, that Council had passed the bill, entitled, " An act to alter the time of choosing the Inspectors of the State-Prison," without amendment.

Two petitions from sundry inhabitants of the County of Gloucester, relative to certain unlawful proceedings, said to have been had at the late election in the township of Galloway, and county aforesaid, were presented and read.

*Ordered,* That they be referred to the Committee of elections ; and that the clerk be directed to issue subpœnas for Witnesses in support of, or opposition to, the said petitions.

The bill entitled, " An act directing the time and mode of electing Representatives in the House of Representatives of the Congress of the United States, for this state," was read a second time, the blanks filled up; and the bill ordered to be engrossed.

*Resolved,* That a committee be appointed, to examine whether any, and what alterations are necessary in the act, to regulate the election of Members of the Legislative Council and General Assembly, Sheriffs and Coroners, in this State, passed February 22d, 1797, and to report, by bill, or otherwise.

*Ordered,* That Messrs. W. Coxe, Johnson and Darby, be a committee for the above purpose.

A petition was presented from the legatees of Gilbert Molleson, of Piscataway, in Middlesex County, praying for a law to authorize some person or persons to sell and convey the estate of the said Gilbert Molleson ; which was read, and committed to Messrs. Stout, Ray and Corwin.

The House adjourned to three o'clock this afternoon.

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Three o'clock....The House met.

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Council came into the assembly-room, and the two Houses went into joint-meeting ; after which, the speaker resumed the chair, and the House adjourned to ten o'clock to-morrow morning.

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FRIDAY, *October, 28, 1803.*

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Ten o'clock....The House met.

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*Resolved,* That a committee of three Members of this house be appointed, to join a Committee of Council, to settle the accounts of the Inspectors of the State-Prison.

*Ordered,* That Messrs. Linn, Voorhees and Burroughs, be a committee for the above purpose.

*Resolved,* That a committee of five members of this House, be appointed, to join a Committee of Council, for the settlement of the Accounts of the Treasurer of this State.

*Ordered,* That Messrs. Godwin, Haas, W. Pearson, Howell and Stockton, be a committee for the above purpose.

The report of the committee to whom was referred the petition of a number of the inhabitants of the county of

Morris, respecting the Morris turnpike road, was taken up, and, on motion, disagreed to.

*Resolved*, That a committee be appointed to bring in a bill to explain the law incorporating a company for the purpose of making a turnpike road from Elizabeth-Town to Morristown.

*Ordered*, That Messrs Kitchell, Ryerson, and R. Smith, be a committee for the above purpose.

A message from Council by Mr Beatty their Secretary, informed the House, that Mr M'Cullough and Mr Hough, or either of them, are appointed a committee on the part of Council, to join the committee of the House of Assembly for the purpose of settling the accounts of the State-Prison; and that Mr Welsh and Mr Mickle, or either of them, are appointed a committee on the part of Council to join the committee of the House of Assembly for the purpose of settling the accounts of the Treasurer.

The engrossed bill entitled An act directing the time and mode of electing Representatives in the House of Representatives of the Congress of the United States for this State, was read a third time and compared.

On the question shall this bill pass? It was carried in the affirmative as follows:

Yeas.	Yeas.
Messrs. Blanch,	Howell,
Burroughs,	Johnston,
J. Cox,	Kipp,
Cooper,	Knott,
Corwin,	Kitchell,
Day,	Lacey,
Darby,	Linn,
Frelinghuysen,	M' Eowen,
Falkenburge,	Newell,
Godwin,	Ogden,
Hankinson,	A. Pierson,
Haas,	Ryerson,

	<i>Yea.</i>		<i>Yea.</i>
<b>Messrs.</b>	Rifley, Ray, Scudder, Stockton, M. Smith,	<b>Messrs.</b>	R. Smith, Stout, Shaver, Voorhees, VanDuyne.
	<i>Nay.</i>		<i>Nay.</i>
<b>Messrs.</b>	Beatty, W. Coxe,	Mr	W. Pearson.

*Ordered*, That the Speaker do sign the same.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry the same to Council, and inform them that it has been passed by this House, and request their concurrence therein.

*Ordered*, That Messrs VanDuyne and Knott be added to the committee appointed on the part of this House for settling the accounts of the State-Prison; and that the Clerk inform Council thereof.

A petition from a number of the inhabitants of the county of Middlesex, respecting the fisheries on South-River, was read and committed to Messrs Blanch, Newell, and Rifley.

A petition from the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Monmouth, praying a law to authorize the said Board to sell at public sale a certain tract of land therein mentioned, was read and committed to Messrs Corwin, Day, and Kipp.

The committee to whom was referred the memorial and papers accompanying the same, from John S. Whitall and Ann Blackwood, administrators, of the estate of John Blackwood, late of the County of Gloucester, deceased, Report,

That they have fully examined into the merits of the said application, and find that the said John Blackwood, together with Samuel Clement of the County of Gloucester, and Clement Hall of the County of Salem, purchased of Phin-

cas Bond, agent for the West-New-Jersey society, certain tracts of land belonging to said society, lying in the Connies of Gloucester and Cumberland, containing between 25 and 30,000 acres, and sold thereof during the lifetime of the said Blackwood, as appears by the said contracts, 10,000 acres of said lands, payable by instalments, the first of which becomes due on the first of November next; That by the death of the said Blackwood, who died without making any will, they are prevented from completing the said contracts on their part. It further appears to your committee, that the intention of the said Blackwood, Clement, and Hall in purchasing said Land was with the intention of selling the same in smaller parcels at such prices as they could obtain; That from the exposed fitnation of the said estate, great injury will arise to the heirs of said Blackwood if suffered to lie in its present state. They are therefore of opinion that they have leave to present a bill to authorize a fulfilment of the contracts for lands already sold, and likewise to sell the residue of said lands, and to secure to the said children and heirs of the said Blackwood the interest of the monies arising from the same.

By order of the committee,

AARON KITCHELL.

Which report was read, and agreed to by the House.

Mr Kitchell presented a bill entitled, An act concerning the estate of John Blackwood, late of the County of Gloucester, Esquire, deceased; which bill was read, and ordered a second reading.

A petition from the securities of Nicholas Van Brunt and Peter Covenhoven, two of the commissioners of the late loan-office in the County of Monmouth, was read, and committed to Messrs Johnson, Lacev, and A. Pierson.

Mr Darby presented a bill entitled An act for the more equal representation of the County of Essex, in the General Assembly of this state; which was read, and ordered a second reading.

The House adjourned to three o'clock in the afternoon.

Three o'clock afternoon....The House met.

The bill entitled, An act concerning the estate of John Blackwood, late of the county of Gloucester, Esquire, deceased, was read a second time, the blank filled up, a new section added, and the bill ordered to be engrossed.

*Ordered,* That the speaker have power to convene the General Assembly during the session, whenever any extraordinary occasion shall in his opinion render it necessary, by causing public notice to be given, of the time when the Legislature are required to meet, in the several news papers published in this state, and some one of the public papers published in Philadelphia, which circulates in this state, at least three weeks previous to the time of such meeting, which will be deemed sufficient notice to the respective Members of this House for their attendance.

No. 8 of the unfinished business of last sitting, being a bill entitled An act relative to the Probate of Wills, and granting Letters of Administration, was called up, and committed to Messrs Linn, Ryerson, and Hankinson.

Mr Stockton presented a bill entitled An act to institute a Market at the town of Mount-Holly, in the County of Burlington, for the sale of live stock; which was read, and ordered a second reading.

*Resolved,* That a committee be appointed to take into consideration the act entitled, An act relative to the laying out, vacating, and altering of roads, and report by bill or otherwise.

Messrs M'Eowen, Ogden, and Shaver, were appointed a committee for the above purpose.

The House adjourned to ten o'clock tomorrow morning.

SATURDAY, October 29, 1803.

Ten o'clock....The House met.

*Resolved,* That a committee be appointed to prepare and bring in a bill for defraying Incidental expences.

*Ordered*, That Messrs Haas, R. Smith, and Voorhees, be a committee for the above purpose..

*Resolved*, That a committee be appointed to bring in a bill for the support of the Government of this state.

*Ordered*, That Messrs Cooper, J. Cox, and Lacy be a committee for the above purpose.

A message was received from Council, by Mr Beatty their Secretary, informing this House, that Council have passed the bill entitled, An act directing the time and mode of electing Representatives in the House of Representatives of the Congress of the United States, for this state, without amendment.

*Ordered*, That two hundred copies of the act entitled An act directing the time and mode of electing Representatives in the House of Representatives of the Congress of the United States, for this state, be printed in hand bills for the information of the officers of election in this state.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk be directed to transmit by mail to each of the Clerks of the several counties and townships of this state, a copy of the act entitled An act directing the time and mode of electing Representatives in the House of Representatives of the Congress of the United States, for this state.

The engrossed bill entitled, An act concerning the estate of John Blackwood, late of the County of Gloucester Esquire, deceased, was read a third time, and compared.

On the question shall this bill pass?

It was carried unanimously in the affirmative.

*Ordered*, That the Speaker do sign the said bill.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry the said bill to Council, and inform them that it has been passed by this House, and request their concurrence thereto.

The House adjourned to ten o'clock on Monday morning.

MONDAY, October 31, 1803.

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Ten o'clock....The House met.

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Mr Linn, from the committee to whom was referred the bill entitled, An act relative to the Probate of wills and granting Letters of Administration, reported a number of amendments to said bill ; which were read and postponed.

The Committee to whom was referred the petition of the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Monmouth, praying that a law may pass to empower the Board of chosen Freeholders to sell and convey lands and tenements, goods and chattels, Report,

That in the opinion of your committee leave ought to be given to present a bill for that purpose.

By order of the Committee,

WILLIAM CORWIN.

Which report was read, and ordered a second reading.

Mr Kitchell, from the committee to whom was referred the petition of the owners of land through which the turnpike road from Elizabeth-Town to Morris-Town is staked out and intended to be run, praying the interference of the Legislature, reported a bill, entitled An act in addition to the act for the facilitating the communication from Elizabeth-Town in the county of Essex through Morris-Town in the county of Morris, and from thence into Sussex ; which was read and ordered a second reading.

The committee to whom was referred the petition from sundry inhabitants of the townships of Roxbury and Pequanack in the county of Morris, praying that a law may pass incorporating them into a township, Report,

That in the opinion of your committee leave ought to be given to present a bill on the first Wednesday of the next sitting of the Legislature, previously advertising the purport

of said bill in three of the most public places within the townships of Roxbury and Pequanack aforesaid, at least two weeks previous to presenting said bill.

By order of the Committee,

JONATHAN OGDEN.

Which report was read and agreed to by the House.

*Resolved*, That a Committee be appointed to examine the accounts of Peter Gordon, Esquire, relative to certain repairs made by order of this House to the State-House ; and also to examine the repairs done to the Government-House, and the accounts therefor ; and report their opinion thereon to the House.

*Ordered*, That Messrs. W. Pearson, Godwin, and Burroughs, be a committee for the above purpose.

*Resolved*, That a committee be appointed to bring in a bill for extending the jurisdiction of Justices of the Peace in this state, so far as taking acknowledgments on deeds, mortgages, &c.

*Ordered*, That Messrs. Day, M. Smith, and M'Fowen, be a committee for the purpose above-mentioned.

The House adjourned to three o'clock in the afternoon.

Three o'clock....The House met.

No. 5, of the unfinished business of last session being a bill entitled An act for the gradual abolition of slavery, was called up and read, a first and second time, and committed to Messrs Stout, W. Pearson, Howell, Ray, and Stockton.

Mr Day from the committee appointed to bring in a bill extending the jurisdiction of Justices of the Peace of this state, so far as taking acknowledgements on deeds, mortgages, &c. reported a bill for that purpose ; which was read and ordered a second reading.

A message from Council, by Mr Beatty their Secretary, informed this House that Council had passed a bill entitled An act to enable the owners and possessors of a tract of marsh and meadow, lying in the lower township of the county of Cape-May, to make, uphold, and maintain, the necessary banks, sluices, and water-works to keep the tide out, and more effectually to improve the same; and requested the concurrence of this House thereto; which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

A bill entitled, An act relative to the Probate of Wills, and granting Letters of Administration, was read a second time, considered by sections, and ordered to be engrossed.

The house adjourned to ten o'clock to-morrow morning.

TUESDAY, November 1, 1803.

Ten o'clock....The House met.

The Committee to whom was referred the petition against Hawkers, Pedlars, and Petty Chapmen, Report,

That they have taken it into consideration and examined the law respecting Hawkers, Pedlars and Petty Chapmen, and are of opinion that it is one of the most strict and guarded acts of this state, and that it would not be expedient at this time to repeal the same.

By order of the committee,

JAMES COX.

Which report was read, and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr Stout, from the committee appointed on the bill relative to the gradual abolition of slavery, reported a bill entitled, An act for the gradual Abolition of Slavery; which report was read and postponed.

The engrossed bill entitled An act relative to the Probate of Wills, granting Letters of Administration and Guardianship, was read a third time.

On the question shall this bill pass? It was carried in the affirmative as follows:

<i>Yeas.</i>	<i>Yeas.</i>
Messrs. Burroughs,	Kitchell,
J. Cox,	Linn,
Cooper,	Newell,
Corwin,	Ogden,
Day,	A. Pierson,
Darby,	Riley,
Godwin,	Ray,
Hankinson,	Scudder,
Haas,	M. Smith,
Howell,	R. Smith,
Johnson,	Stout,
Knott,	Shaver,

<i>Nays.</i>	<i>Nays.</i>
Messrs. Blanch,	M' Eowen,
Beatty,	W. Pearson,
W. Coxe,	Ryerson,
Frelinghuyzen,	Stockton,
Falkenburg,	Voorhees,
Kipp,	VanDyng.
Lacey,	

*Ordered*, That the Speaker do sign the same.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry the said bill to Council, and inform them that it has been passed by this House, and request their concurrence thereto.

The Resolutions from the state of North-Carolina respecting Electors of President and Vice-President, were called up.

*Resolved*, That this subject being now under the consideration of the Congress of the United States, this House will proceed no further at present, in the business of said Resolutions.

The Committee to whom was referred the petition of the children and legatees of Gilbert Molleson, late of Piscataway, in the county of Middlesex, deceased, Report,

That they have examined the said petition, and the last will and testament of said deceased, and are of opinion the prayer of the petitioners ought to be granted.

By order of the Committee,

NATHAN STOUT.

Which report was read, and agreed to by the House.

A message from Council by Mr. Beatty, their Secretary, informed this House, that Council had passed a bill, entitled, An act concerning the estate of John Blackwood, late of the County of Gloucester, Esquire, deceased, without amendment.

The engrossed bill from Council, entitled "An act to enable the owners and possessors of a tract of Marsh and Meadow lying in the lower township of the County of Cape-May, make, uphold and maintain the necessary banks, sluices and water-works, to keep the tide out, and more effectually to improve the same, was read a second time, and committed to Messrs. Beatty, Risley and Falkenburge.

The House adjourned to ten o'clock to-morrow morning.

WEDNESDAY, November 2, 1803.

Ten o'clock....The House met.

The bill entitled a supplement to an act, entitled, An act concerning Justices of the Peace and Courts of General Quarter Sessions, was read a second time, amended, and ordered to be engrossed.

Mr. Linn, from the joint Committee of Council and Assembly, appointed to examine the accounts of the State-Prison, made the following Report:

We, the Committee of the Council and Assembly, appointed to settle the accounts of the State-Prison, having examined the accounts of George Anderson, and Maskell Ewing, Esquires, Inspectors of the State-Prison, for monies received for erecting cells, and raising the wall round the Prison-Yard, beg leave to report,

That the said Inspectors have drawn from the Treasury, the sum by law directed to be drawn for that purpose, and have raised the wall round the Prison-yard, with brick, three feet higher than it was. They have also erected a House three stories high, in which is divided off twelve cells, six feet by ten in the clear, with a hall in each story in front of the cells, all which is finished and compleated in a workman-like manner.

That there has been expended, in erecting the said building, as appears from Vouchers from No. 1 to No. 40, inclusive, by Mr. Ewing, 1774, 49 dols. and as appears by Vouchers from No. 1 to No. 11, inclusive, by Mr. Anderson 837,97 dollars; which sums, with commissions to the Inspectors who superintended the work at five per cent. leaves a balance in their hands of the Cash received, 10,801-2 dollars; which to the Committee appears just and right.

By order of the Committee,

Wm. McCULLOUGH,  
JOHN LINN.

Which report was read, and, with the vouchers accompanying it, ordered to lie on the table.

The bill entitled, An act in addition to the act for facilitating the communication from Elizabeth-Town, in the County of Essex, through Morristown, in the County of Morris, and from thence into Sussex, was read a second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A letter was received and read, from James Saltar, Esquire, informing the House, that on account of extreme ill health, he declined being a Candidate for the appointment of Treasurer for the year ensuing.

Agreeably to leave given last session, a bill entitled An act to authorize Silas Dickerson and others, with whom he may associate, to erect bathing-houses and other buildings at and about the Schooley's mountain mineral springs, in the county of Morris, was presented, read, and ordered a second reading.

A petition from the Democratic Association of Gloucester, and also one from a great number of free people of colour of said County, praying that a law may pass to facilitate the abolition of slavery, were received and read.

Two petitions were presented, praying for certain alterations to be made to the militia-law of this state; which petitions were read, and committed to Messrs. Beatty, Linn and Van Duyn; with instructions to enquire into the subject of fines, applications of money, and compensations, contained in the militia-law of this state, and to report by bill or otherwise.

A petition from Susannah Simson, praying, for certain reasons therein set forth, that the legislature would pass an act dissolving the marriage contract between her and James Simson, her husband, was presented, read and committed to Messrs. Scudder, R. Smith and Risley, with leave to report by bill, or otherwise.

The House adjourned to three o'clock in the afternoon.

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Three o'clock afternoon—the House met.

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The joint-committee of the Council and Assembly, to whom was referred the letter of James Saltar, Esquire, Treasurer, of the 25th of October last, with instructions to enquire into the circumstances of the Robbery of the Treasury, made a report, which was read, and ordered to lie on the table.

A petition against certain obstructions in the river Passaic, which prevent fish from going up that river, was read and referred to Messrs. Blanch, Risley and Newell.

The House adjourned to ten o'clock to-morrow morning.

THURSDAY, November 3, 1803.

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Ten o'clock—The House met.

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A petition from a number of inhabitants of Elizabeth-Town, praying an act to authorize them to build a bridge over Elizabeth Town Creek, at the Landing, was read, and committed to Messrs. Day, Blanch and Voorhees.

A motion was made and seconded,

That a committee be appointed to enquire into the cause and conduct of the mob assembled in Trenton, in the month of February last; and also by whose directions or approbation the State-House was occupied as a ball-room on the fourth of July, and of the riot in Trenton in said month; and whether the magistrates of Trenton used all due diligence in suppressing said disorders; and likewise whether any and how many of the principal inhabitants of said town, as far as can be ascertained, appeared at the time to approve or discountenance such conduct; and that they report to this house their opinion thereon, and what measures, if any, would be proper, in order to prevent such disorders in future; and that the committee have power to send for and examine such evidences as they think necessary.

On the question, Shall this motion have a second reading? The Yeas and Nays were called for, and were as follow:

Yea.	Yea.
Messrs. Burroughs,	Messrs. Linn,
J. Cox,	Newell,
Cooper,	Ogden,
Corwin,	A. Pierson,
Day,	Rifley,
Darby,	Ray,
Hankinson,	M. Smith,
Haas,	R. Smith,
Johnson,	Stout,
Kitchell,	Shaver.

*Nays.*

Messrs. Blanch,  
Beatty,  
W. Cox,  
Frelinghuyfen,  
Falkenburge,  
Howell,  
Kipp,  
Knott,

*Nays.*

Messrs. Lacey,  
M' Eowen,  
W. Pearson,  
Ryerson,  
Scudder,  
Stockton,  
Voorhees,  
Van Duyn.

Of course, it was carried for a second reading.

A letter from Mr. Saltar, Treasurer, informed the House, that there was in the Treasury, about four thousand eight hundred dollars in state money, of the emission of June 9, 1780, which he requested the Legislature would appoint a committee to burn, or otherwise dispose of.

Messrs. Johnson, Knott and Van Duyn, were appointed a committee on the part of this House for that purpose; and the clerk ordered to inform Council thereof, and request them to appoint a committee on their part, for the same object.

A bill entitled, An act for the gradual abolition of slavery, was called up, and read a second time.

On the question for striking out *twenty-one* years of age, as the time when males born after a certain period, should be free, and inserting *twenty eight*, the Yeas and Nays were called for, and were as follow:

*Yeas.*

Messrs. Blanch,  
Beatty,  
Corwin,  
Frelinghuyfen,  
Godwin,  
Hankinson,  
Haas,  
Johnson,

*Yeas.*

Messrs. Kitchell,  
Linn,  
M'Eowen,  
Ogden,  
Ryerson,  
Shaver,  
Voorhees,  
Van Duyn.

<i>Nays.</i>	<i>Nays.</i>
Messrs. Burroughs,	Messrs. Newell,
J. Cox,	M. Pearson,
W. Cox,	A. Pierson,
Cooper,	Risley,
Day,	Ray,
Darby,	Scudder,
Falkenburge,	Stockton,
Howell,	M. Smith,
Kipp,	R. Smith,
Knott,	Stout.
Lacey,	

This motion being lost, another was made, for striking out *twenty-one* as the age at which males should be free, and inserting *twenty-five*; which, on the question being taken, was carried in the affirmative.

The question on the passage of the first section of the bill being under consideration, considerable debate took place; when it was moved and carried that the further consideration of the bill be postponed.

A message from Council, by Mr. Beatty, their Secretary, informed the house, that Mr. Newton, and Mr. Burgin, or either of them, were appointed a committee on the part of Council, to join the committee of this House, for the purpose of counting and burning a quantity of State-money of the emission of June 9th, 1780, now in the treasury of this State.

The House adjourned to three o'clock this afternoon.

Three o'clock afternoon—The House met.

The committee to whom was referred the petition respecting the fisheries in South-River, in the County of Middlesex, Report,

That they have examined the said petition, and are of

opinion, that they have leave to present a bill, agreeably to the prayer of their petition.

By order of the Committee,

THOMAS BLANCH.

Which report was read, and agreed to by the House.

A petition from Abraham Covenhoven, praying Legislative aid, was read, and ordered to lie on table.

Council came into the Assembly-room, and the two houses went into joint-meeting; after which the Speaker resumed the chair, and adjourned the house to ten o'clock to-morrow morning.

FRIDAY, November 4, 1803.

Ten o'clock—The House met.

Council came into the Assembly-Room, and the two Houses went into Joint-Meeting; after which, the Speaker resumed the chair, and adjourned the House to three o'clock this afternoon.

Three o'clock afternoon—The House met.

Council came into the Assembly room, and the two Houses went into Joint-Meeting; after which the Speaker resumed the chair, and adjourned the House to ten o'clock to-morrow morning.

SATURDAY, November 5, 1803.

Ten o'clock—The House met.

Council came into the Assembly-room, and the two Houses went into Joint-Meeting; after which the Speaker resumed the chair.

Mr. J. Cox asked, and obtained leave of absence for Monday next.

The Bill entitled, A supplement to an act entitled An act concerning Justices of the Peace and Courts of General Quarter Sessions, was read a third time.

**On the question, Shall this bill pass?**

It was carried unanimously in the affirmative.

*Ordered*, That the Speaker do sign said bill.

*Ordered*, That the clerk do carry the said bill to Council, and inform them that it has been passed by this House, and request their concurrence thereto.

The bill entitled An act explanatory of the act for facilitating the communication from Elizabeth-Town in the County of Essex, through Morristown in the County of Morris and from thence into Sussex was read a third time.

On the question shall this bill pass?

It was carried in the affirmative as follows:

<i>Years.</i>	<i>Years.</i>
Messrs. Burrroughs,	Messrs M' Eowen,
Cooper,	Newell,
Corwin,	Ogden,
Day,	A. Pierson,
Gedwin,	Risley,
Hankinson,	Ray,
Haas,	Scudder,
Howell,	M. Smith,
Johnson,	R. Smith,
Kip,	Stout,
Knott,	Shaver,
Kitchell,	Voorhees,
Linn,	Van Duyn.
<i>Nay.</i>	<i>Nay.</i>
Mr. Blanch,	Mr. Beatty.

*Ordered*, That the Speaker do sign said bill.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry said bill to Council, and acquaint them that it has been passed by this House, and request their concurrence thereto.

Mr Van Duyn asked and obtained leave of absence for a few days.

Mr Voorhees asked and obtained leave of absence till Monday afternoon.

The House adjourned to ten o'clock on Monday Morning.

MONDAY, November 7, 1803.

Ten o'clock....The House met.

Mr M'Eowen, from the committee appointed to examine the law relative to laying out, vacating, and altering of roads, reported,

That in their opinion no alteration is expedient at present.

Which report was read, and agreed to by the House.

Mr Stockton, from the committee to whom was referred the petition for the more effectual preservation of timber, reported,

That there appears a difficulty to arise by altering or repealing the present law for that purpose, it being as sufficient (taking all matters into consideration) as the committee deem themselves capable of framing.

Which report was read, and agreed to by the House.

A petition from Matthias Ackerman, an insolvent debtor confined in the jail of Essex County praying legislative relief, was read and committed to Messrs Shaver, M. Smith, and Ryerson, with leave to report by bill or otherwise.

Mr Cooper, from the committee appointed for that purpose reported a bill entitled An act for the support of the

Government of the state of New-Jersey; which was read, and ordered a second reading.

A petition from a number of inhabitants of Gloucester County, praying that a law may pass appointing suitable persons to call to account delinquent paymasters and others holding the money collected by militia fines, &c. was read and committed to Messrs Beatty, Linn, and Van Duyn.

A petition from sundry inhabitants of the County of Burlington, praying that the law for the suppressing of vice and immorality may be revised and amended, was read, and committed to Messrs A. Pierson, Corwin, and Newell, with leave to report by bill or otherwise.

Mr Johnson, from the committee appointed on the part of this House to join a committee of Council for the purpose of counting and burning certain old state money now in the Treasury of this state made a report as follows:

An account of State-Money of the emission of June 9th, 1780, counted in the Treasury by the Committees of Council and Assembly, November, 1803.

Denominations	Dol. 20	Dol. 7	Dol. 5	Dol. 3	Dol. 2	Interest. D. C.	Amount. D. C.
No. 1.	184	2	3	1	1	1,021 35	4735 35
2.	2	2	1			13 27	72 27
	186	4	4	1	1	1,034 62	4807 62

We the committees of both Houses do hereby certify, that James Saltar, Treasurer, delivered to us, the sum of four thousand eight hundred and seven dollars, and sixty-two cents, State-Money, of the emission of June 9th, 1780, agreeably to the above statement, which we have examined, counted, and burned.

By Order of the Committees,

GEORGE BURGIN,  
JOHN JOHNSON.

A petition from a number of inhabitants of the town of Newark, praying to be incorporated into a company for

assuring houses against fire, and other purposes, was read and committed to Messrs Beatty, Cooper, Howell, Ray, and W. Pearson, together with a bill which was before the House at last session for incorporating said company.

A bill entitled an act to establish Post Guides, and to facilitate travelling in and through this state, was read, and ordered a second reading.

Mr Beatty, from the committee to whom was referred the bill from Council entitled An act to enable the owners and possessors of a tract of marsh and meadow lying in the lower township of the county of Cape-May to make, uphold and maintain, the necessary banks, sluices, and water-works, to keep the tide out, and more effectually to improve the same, reported an amendment to said bill; which was read and agreed to; and the bill with the amendment read a second and third time.

On the question, Shall this bill as amended pass?

It was carried unanimously in the affirmative.

**Ordered,** That the Clerk do carry the said bill to Council, and inform them, that the House of Assembly have passed the same with an amendment; to which amendment they request the concurrence of Council.

A petition from a number of inhabitants of the County of Somerset, praying that a law may pass to invest some person or persons with authority to sell and convey the estate of Alexander McCullum, an insane person, to discharge his debts therefrom, and appropriate the residue to his maintenance, was read, and committed to Messrs M'Fowen, Hankinson, and Burroughs.

The House adjourned to ten o'clock to morrow morning.

TUESDAY, November 8, 1803.

Ten o'clock.... The House met.

A letter was received from the Secretary of state, enclosing a statement of the business done in his office since

Nov. 3, 1802; which letter and statement were read and ordered to be filed.

The bill entitled An act for the gradual abolition of slavery, was called up.

*Resolved*, That the further Consideration of this bill be postponed for the present; and that the bill as amended be published for general information in both of the public papers printed in Trenton.

A bill entitled An act to institute a market in the town of Mount-Holly, in the County of Burlington, for the sale of live stock, was called up, read, and committed to Messrs W. Coxe, J. Cox, and Hankinson.

A bill entitled, An act for the more equal representation of the County of Essex in the General Assembly of this state, was read a second time, considered by section, and ordered to be engrossed.

A message from Council by Mr Beatty their Secretary, informed the House that Council had made a number of amendments to the bill entitled An act relative to the Probate of Wills, granting Letters of Administration and Guardianship, to which amendments they request the concurrence of this House.

These amendments were read, and ordered a second reading.

A petition from Hannah Burnet, praying for certain reasons therein set forth, that a law may pass to divorce her from her husband William Burnet, was read, and referred to Messrs Scudder, R. Smith, and Risley.

The House adjourned to three o'clock in the afternoon.

Three o'clock afternoon....The House met.

A petition from John Baker, of the township of Maidenhead, praying that the Legislature would indemnify him for

the expence incurred in bringing a certain Horse-Thief to justice, was read, and committed to Messrs Haas, R. Smith, and Voorhees.

A petition from sundry inhabitants of the County of Gloucester praying for the revisal of the laws for suppressing vice and immorality, was read, and referred to Messrs A. Pierson, Corwin, and Newell.

A petition from sundry inhabitants of the County of Gloucester, praying that a law may pass to raise the jurisdiction of Justices of the Peace, was read, and ordered a second reading.

A petition of sundry inhabitants of the County of Gloucester, praying that a law may pass making assaults and batteries, riots, affrays, &c. cognizable before two justices of the peace, was read and ordered a second reading.

Council came into the Assembly-Room, and the two Houses went into joint-Meeting; after which, the honorable Peter Gordon having been chosen Treasurer by the Joint-Meeting, and accepting the appointment, the House proceeded to the choice of a Speaker to supply his place, when the Honorable James Cox was duly chosen and took the chair.

*Ordered,* That the Clerk do inform Council by a message, That this House have made choice of the Honorable James Cox their Speaker, in the place of the Honorable Peter Gordon.

The Committee to whom were referred the petitions from the township of Galloway, in the County of Gloucester, complaining of illegal proceedings in the election lately held in said town, Report,

That they have had the business referred to them under consideration, and examined witnesses on the subject, and do not find any sufficient cause for setting aside the election; therefore in their opinion, the petitions ought to be dismissed.

By order of the Committee,

AARON KITCHELL

Which report was read and agreed to by the House.

The bill entitled An act relative to the Probate of Wills, granting Letters of Administration and Guardianship, with the amendments made thereto by Council, were taken up and respectively considered and agreed to.

*Ordered*, That this bill be re-engrossed.

Mr Cooper presented a bill entitled, A supplement to an act entitled an act more effectually to prevent the waste of timber in this state; which was read, and ordered a second reading.

A message from Council by Mr Beatty their Secretary, informed the House, that Council had passed the re-engrossed bill entitled An act to enable the owners and possessors of a tract of Marsh and Meadows lying in the lower township of the County of Cape-May, to make, uphold, and maintain, the necessary banks, sluices, and water-works to keep the tide out, and more effectually to improve the same, with the amendment made thereto by this House.

*Ordered*, That the Speaker do sign said re-engrossed bill.

The House adjourned to ten o'clock to-morrow morning.

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WEDNESDAY, November 9, 1803.

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Ten o'clock.... The House met.

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The Committee to whom was referred the petition from sundry inhabitants of Elizabeth-Town, in the County of Essex, respecting the building of a certain Bridge therein described, beg leave to report,

That in the opinion of your committee the petitioners ought to have leave to present a bill on the second Thursday in the next sitting of the Legislature, to answer the prayer of the said petition; they previously advertising the

purport of the bill they mean to present in the Elizabeth-Town Newspaper, and in at least three of the most public places in said town for three weeks previous to presenting said bill.

By order of the Committee,

ISRAEL DAY.

Which report was read, and agreed to by the House.

A petition from Enoch Bowen, praying for certain reasons therein set forth for a law to divorce him from his wife Elizabeth Bowen, was read and committed to Messrs Scudder, R. Smith, and Risley.

A petition from sundry inhabitants of the counties of Essex and Bergen, praying a law to authorize them to build a bridge over Berry's creek, was read and committed to Messrs Day, Blanch, and Ryerson.

A petition from Elijah Allen, praying to be indemnified by the state for a sum of money paid by him for confiscated property, which property was afterwards reclaimed by another owner, was read, and dismissed.

A bill entitled An act to provide for the establishment of Markets for the sale of live stock in the several counties of this state, was read, and ordered a second reading.

The committee appointed to examine the accounts of Peter Gordon, Esquire, for repairs done to the State-House, and to examine the accounts for repairs done to the Government-House, beg leave to report:

By the vouchers annexed from No. 1, to 29 inclusively there appears to have been expended in actual repairs on the State House, the sum of Dolls. 465 24, the commission on which, at 5 per cent are Dolls. 23 25, amounting in the whole to Dolls. 488 49, and that he hath received from the treasury by virtue of a resolution of the last session of the Legislature Dolls. 200, to be appropriated to the repairs of the State-House, which being deducted from the foregoing sum, leaves a balance due said Peter Gordon, Es-

quire, of Dolls. 288 49. It also appears to your committee by the vouchers annexed from No. 1 to 15 inclusively, there hath been expended in actual repairs on the Government-House and Lot during the months of April and May 1802, at the request of Governor Bloomfield, the sum of Dolls. 212 52 $\frac{1}{2}$ , which in the opinion of your committee ought to be allowed as the repairs appear to have been entirely necessary.

By order of the Committee,

W<sup>m</sup>. PEARSON.

Which report was read, and ordered a second reading.

The Speaker read to the House a Bond given by Peter Gordon, Esquire, Treasurer-elect of this state, and a number of sureties, in the amount specified by law, for the due performance of the duties of Treasurer for the year ensuing.

*Ordered*, That the said Bond be accepted by this House, as good and sufficient, and that the Clerk do carry the same to Council for their concurrence.

Sundry petitions were presented from a number of the inhabitants of the townships of Hanover and Morris in the County of Morris, praying that a new township may be formed from parts of the aforesaid townships;

Also, sundry petitions from a number of the inhabitants of the townships of Hanover and Morris, praying that the contemplated new township may not be laid off;

Were read and, committed to Messrs W. Coxe, Darby, and Beatty.

A petition from Samuel Pennington, praying that the House of Assembly would give him a part or the whole of the public printing at their disposal to execute, was read and ordered a second reading.

The engrossed bill entitled An act for the more equal representation of the County of Essex in the General Assembly of this state, was read a third time.

On the question shall this bill pass?

It was carried in the affirmative as follows:

<i>Yea.</i>	<i>Yea.</i>
Messrs Burroughs, Cooper, Corwin, Day, Darby, Frelinghuyzen, Godwin, Hankinson, Haas, Howell, Johnson, Knott, Kitchell,	Messrs Linn, M' Eowen, Newell, Ogden, A Pierson, Risley, Ray, Scudder, M. Smith, R. Smith, Stout, Shaver, Voorhees.

*Nays.*

<i>Nays.</i>	<i>Nays.</i>
Messrs Blanch, Beatty, W. Coxe, Falkenburg,	Messrs Lacey, W. Pearson, Ryerson, Stockton.

*Ordered,* That the Speaker do sign said bill.

*Ordered,* That the Clerk do carry the said bill to Council, and inform them that it has been passed by this House, and request the concurrence of Council thereto.

The re-engrossed bill entitled, An act relative to the Probate of Wills, granting Letters of Administration and Guardianship, was read and compared.

On the question, Shall this bill pass?

It was carried in the affirmative as follows:

*Yea.*

**Messrs.** Burroughs,  
Cooper,  
Corwin,  
Day,  
Darby,  
Godwin,  
Hankinson,  
Haas,  
Howell,  
Johnston,  
Kipp,  
Knott,

*Nays.*

**Messrs.** Blanch,  
Beatty,  
W. Coxe,  
Frelinghuyzen,  
Falkenburge,

*Yea.*

Kitchell,  
Linn,  
Newell,  
Ogden,  
A. Pierson,  
Risley,  
Ray,  
Scudder,  
M. Smith,  
R. Smith,  
Shaver,

*Nays.*

**Messrs.** Lace,   
M' Eowen,  
W. Pearson,  
Stockton,  
Voorhees.

*Ordered*, That the Speaker do sign the same.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry the same to Council, and inform them that it has been passed by this House with their amendments.

The committee to whom was referred the petition of Hendrick Hendricks, Joseph Van Brunt, Theophilus Little, and John Craig, sureties for Nicholas Van Brunt and Peter Covenhoven, two of the Commissioners of the late loan-office in the County of Monmouth praying a law may pass for exonerating the aforesaid petitioners from paying the interest arising on the monies due by the delinquency of the aforesaid commissioners, beg leave to report,

That we have heard the parties, examined the law relative to the late loan-office, and such other documents as were laid before us, and are unanimous of opinion that the prayer of the petitioners ought not to be granted.

By order of the Committee,

JOHN JOHNSON.

Which report was read and ordered a second reading.

Mr Shaver from the committee to whom was referred the petition of Mathias Ackerman, reported a bill, which was read, and ordered a second reading.

A petition from sundry inhabitants of the county of Cumberland, praying a law may pass to authorize the petitioners to make a draw in a bridge over Dividing-Creek, was read, and committed to Messrs Burroughs, A. Pierou, and Ray.

Mr Godwin, from the Joint-Committee appointed to settle the accounts of the Treasurer, brought in the following Statement and Report:

*Dr.*JAMES SALTAR, *Treasurer....**On account of Tax for raising £50,000....*

To Deficiency not paid in on the last settlement by the County of Sussex,	State Money.
	Dols. Cts.
	342 31

*Dr*JAMES SALTAR, *Treasurer....**On account of Tax for raising £10,000....**ember 1st 1785.*

Dols. Cts.

To deficiency not paid in on the last settlement by the County of Sussex.	
	1,434 48

*....to the State of New-Jersey,* *Cr.*

*State Money and Certificates due December 1st, 1781.*

By amount carried to Account Cur- rent Dolls. 114 04 $\frac{1}{2}$ specie receiv- ed at one for three agreeably to a law passed March 9th, 1801, e- qual to	State Money. Dols. Cts.
	342 13

November 8th, 1803.

By order of the Committees,

ISAAC MICKLE,  
ABRAHAM GODWIN.

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*....to the State of New-Jersey,*

*Specie for sinking £30,000 in Bills of Credit due Decem-*

By deficiency not yet paid in by the County of Sussex,	Dols. Cts.
	1434 48

November 8th, 1803.

By order of the committees,

ISAAC MICKLE,  
ABRAHAM GODWIN.

Dr.

JAMES SALTAR Treasurer....

*On Account of Tax in Specie due January....  
tinental Taxes, but by a law passed November 28tb....*

To deficiency not paid in on the  
last settlement by the County of

Dols. Cts.

Sussex.

2,639 57

Dr.

JAMES SALTAR, Treasurer....

*On account of Tax in Specie due October....  
nental Taxes, but by a law passed November 28tb....*

To deficiency not paid in on the  
last settlement by the County of

Dols. Cts.

Monmouth.

2,928 34

*....to the State of New-Jersey,* Cr.

*....1st, 1783, which was made payable to the receiver of Conti-*

*....1789 is made payable into the Treasury.*

	Dols. Cts.
By deficiency not yet paid in by the county of	
Sussex,	2,529 57
Balance carried to account current,	110 00
	2,639 57

November 8th, 1803.

By order of the Committees,

ISAAC MICKLE,  
ABRAHAM GODWIN.

*....to the State of New-Jersey,* Cr.

*....1st, 1783, which was payable to the receiver of Conti-*

*....1789 is made payable into the Treasury.*

	Dols. Cts.
By deficiency not yet paid in by the County of	
Monmouth,	2,928 34

November 8th, 1803.

By Order of the Committees,

ISAAC MICKLE,  
ABRAHAM GODWIN.

*Dr.*JAMES SALTAR, *Treasurer....*

*On account of Tax in Specie due Janua-....  
tinen tal Taxes, but by a law passed November 28tb....*

	Dols. Cts.
To deficiency not paid in on the last settlement by the Counties of	
Monmouth.	3,908 00
Suffex.	1,683 57
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	5,591 57

*Dr.*JAMES SALTAR, *Treasurer....*

*On account of arrears of Taxes ordered to....  
by the Legislature, agreeably to three laws, one passed....  
26tb, 1801.*

	Dols. Cts.
To deficiencies not paid in on the last settlement by the Counties of Burlington.	2,059 60
Morris, To deficiency in the second instalment due December 30, 1802.	3,473 18
To the third instalment due Decem- ber 30, 1803,	1,072 67½
To the fourth instalment due Decem- ber 30, 1804.	1,072 67½
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	7,678 13

....to the State of New Jersey, Cr.  
 ....ry 1st, 1789, which was payable to the receiver of Con-  
 ....1789 is made payable into the Treasury.

	Dols. Cts.
By deficiency not yet paid in by the Counties of	
Monmouth,	3,908 00
Sussex,	1,044 32
Balance carried to account current,	639 25
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	5,591 57

November 8th, 1803.

By order of the Committees,

ISAAC MICKLE,  
ABRAHAM GODWIN.

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....to the State of New Jersey, Cr.  
 ....be raised on the counties of Burlington, and Morris,  
 ....March 9th, 1801, and the others November 23d, and

By deficiency not yet paid in by the  
county of

Morris,	2,145 35
Balance carried to account current	5,532 78
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	7,678 13

November 8th, 1803.

By order of the Committees,

ISAAC MICKLE,  
ABRAHAM GODWIN.

*Dr.*JAMES SALTAR, *Treasurer....**On account of Tax for raising 30,000....*

To the quotas of the said Tax paya- ble into the Treasury by the sev- eral Counties.	Dols. Cts.
Bergen,	2,306 00
Essex,	3,178 00
Middlesex,	2,687 00
Monmouth,	2,697 00
Somerset,	2,063 00
Burlington,	3,537 00
Gloucester,	2,455 00
Salem,	1,625 00
Cape May,	333 00
Hunterdon,	3,352 00
Morris,	2,141 00
Cumberland,	1,243 00
Sussex.	2,383 00
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	30,000 00

*Amount of deficiencies due....**Counties.*

Bergen,  
 Essex,  
 Middlesex,  
 Monmouth,  
 Somerset,  
 Burlington,  
 Gloucester,  
 Salem,  
 Cape May,  
 Hunterdon,  
 Morris,  
 Cumberland,  
 Sussex.

....to the State of New Jersey,  
....Dollars due December 30, 1802.

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Amount carried to account current,	30,000	00
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	30,000	00

November 8th, 1803.

By order of the Committees,

**ISAAC MICKLE,  
ABRAHAM GODWIN.**

*....from the several Counties.*

Levied in specie formerly due to the Continental re- ceiver.	Sinking Fund Tax due December 1st, 1785.	Total Amount.
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Dols. Cts. Dols. Cts. Dols. Cts.

6,836 34 6,836 34

2,145 35 . . . . . 2,145 35

3 573 89      1,434 48      5,008 37

**12,555** 58      **1,434** 48      **13,990** 06

November 8th, 1803.

JAMES SALTAR, Treasurer, to the State of New-Jersey,  
Dr.

*On account of cash received of sundry persons.*

	Dols. Cts.
Nov. 9, Received of Lewis Condict, sheriff of Morris County, the balance of fines imposed by the Courts in said County, during the year, ending the second Tuesday in October, 1802.	28 60
Received of Joseph Hugg, late sheriff of Gloucester County, on account of fines imposed by the Courts in said County, during the year, ending the second Tuesday in October, 1800,	18 00
10. Received of Casparus Bogart, sheriff of Bergen County, the balance of fines imposed by the Courts in said County during the year ending the 2d Tuesday in October 1802,	14 25
12. Received of Jeremiah Bennet, late Sheriff of Cumberland, county per George Burgin, the balance of fines due the 2d Tuesday in Oct. 1801,	
Dollars 50 32.	
Ditto on account of ditto due the 2d Tuesday in Oct. 1802, Dols. 69 35.	119 67
Dec. 21. Received of Jacob Hufty, Sheriff of Salem county, the balance of fines imposed by the courts in said county during the year ending the 2d Tuesday in October 1802,	19 19
27. Received of Edward Vaughn Sheriff of Gloucester county, per Lucius H. Stockton, the balance of fines imposed by the courts in said county, during the year ending the 2d Tuesday in October 1802,	42 75
Amount carried forward,	242 46

	Dols. Cts.
1803.	
Amount brought forward,	242 46
June 1st, Received of John Stevens, on account of a Judgement obtained against him on the 11th day of May last,	1,569 10
Sept. 11, Received of John Stevens, by the hand of Nathaniel Harris, the bal- ance of the sum for which he con- fessed a judgement on the 11th of May last with the interest.	6,742 00
Oct. 24. Received of Samuel P. Forman late Sheriff of Monmouth County, per Aaron D. Woodruff Esq. fifty-three Dollars and one cent being stated to be the amount of a forfeited re- cognition against Walter Dunla- ry and Garret Covenhoven.	53 01
Amount carried to account current,	8,606 57

November 8th, 1803.

By order of the Committees,

ISAAC MICKLE,  
ABRAHAM GODWIN.

JAMES SALTAR, Treasurer, to the State of New-Jersey  
Dr.

*On Account of Cash received from the United States.*

1803. Dolls. Cts.

June 30. Received of James Ewing Commissioner of Loans, three quarter's interest, on the stock of this state in the funds of the United States, including two per cent on the principal of the 6 per cent stock, up to April 1st, 1803, 3,415 13

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Amount carried to account current, 3,415 13

November 8th, 1803.

By order of the Committees,

ISAAC MICKLE,  
ABRAHAM GODWIN.

JAMES SALTAR, *Treasurer, to the State of New-Jersey*  
*Dr.*

*On account of cash received of the agents and commissioners of Forfeited Estates.*

1802.	Dols. Cts.
Nov. 1. Received of Joseph Stout agent of forfeited estates for Middlesex County, on account of the forfeit- ed Estate of Peter, Andrew, and Oliver Barbarie,	136 03
Amount carried to account current,	<hr/> 136 03
November 8th, 1803.	

By order of the Committees,

ISAAC MICKLE,  
 ABRAHAM GODWIN.

JAMES SALTAR, Treasurer, to the State of New-Jersey  
Dr.

*On account of Cash received of sundry persons for fees  
on private laws, agreeably to a law passed February  
20th, 1794.*

1802.

Dolls. Cts.

Nov. 29.	Received of Levi Howell the fees on passing the act to authorize Rachel Brown, and Robert Craig to fulfil contracts as Administrators of Da- niel Brown, deceased,	7 29
Dec. 1.	Received of George Burgin the fees on passing the act to establish the partition lines of a tract of land therein mentioned,	5 40
	Received of Ezra Darby the fees on an act to authorize David Ross and Ezekiel Ross, administrators of Jo- seph Pierson dec. to fulfil a contract made with Christopher Denman,	6 06
	Also, the fees on an act to authorize Nathaniel Budd to erect a ferry over the river Hudson, opposite New-York,	8 77
	Received of Israel Day the fees on an act to authorize Phebe Marsh, ad- ministratrix of Moses Marsh, to sell and convey lands,	6 00
1803.	Received of Maskell Ewing the fees on an act to dissolve the marriage contract between Hannah Gill, late Hannah Harrison, and John Gill her husband,	5 31
Jan. 19.	Also the fees on an act for constitu- ting and appointing new trustees to execute and fulfil the trusts in the last will and testament of Phillip Kearney, dec. for Susannah Ste- vens and her issue,	5 63
	Amount carried forward,	44 46

1803

Dols. Cts.

Amount brought forward,	44	46
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Feb. 22. Received of James Ludlum per An-		
thony Reckless, the Fees on the		
passage of an act concerning the		
estate of Gabriel Ludlum late of		
the County of Sussex , dec. passed		
November 19th, 1802.	7	65

March 10. Received of Maskell Ewing, the		
fees on the passage of an act esta-		
ablishing a Turnpike Road from the		
Town of Hackensack, to Hoboken		
in the County of Bergen.	14	95

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Amount carried to account current.	67	06
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November, 8th, 1803.

By order of the Committees,

ISAAC MICKLE,  
ABRAHAM GODWIN.

JAMES SALTAR, Treasurer, to the State of New Jersey  
Dr.

*On account of cash received of the Commissioners of the  
New Loan-Offices, in the several Counties, on account  
of principal and interest.*

	Interest.	Principal.
1803	Dols. Cts.	Dols. Cts.
Aug. 24. Received of Hendrick Hendrickson, one of the sureties of Peter Covenhoven, who was one of the Commissioners for Monmouth County, on account of the principal and interest loaned in said County, 413 46 that is to say on account of interest,	171 79	
Principal,		241 67
25. Received of John Craig one of the sureties of Nicholas Van Brunt, who was one of the Commissioners of the New Loan-Office in Monmouth County, on account of the sum loaned in that County.		131 26
Received of Theophilus Little, one of the sureties of Nicholas Van Brunt, who was one of the Commissioners for Monmouth County on account of the sum loaned in said county.		131 26
Amount carried forward,	171 79	504 19

Amount brought forward,	171	79	504	19
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Acct. 26. Received of Joseph Van Brunt  
 one of the legatees of Hen-  
 drick Van Brunt, deceas-  
 ed, who was one of the  
 sureties of Nicholas Van  
 Brunt, who was one of the  
 Commissioners of the Loan  
 Office in Monmouth coun-  
 ty, per Theophilus Little,  
 on account of Principal,                    126 58

Also, on account of interest, 4 68

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mount carried to account current, 176 47                    630 77

November 8th, 1803.

By Order of the Committees,

ISAAC MICKLE,  
 ABRAHAM GODWIN.

*Dr.*JAMES SALTAR *Treasurer....**Account current in...*

Dols. Cts.

To balance due the state on settlement made October 30th, 1802,  
 Dols. 1602 48 $\frac{1}{2}$  Lawful money received at one for three on the  
 Sinking Fund Tax, equal in old State Money to.

4,807 45

November 8th, 1803.

WE the Committees of Council and Assembly appoint....  
 the above, and the voucher relative thereto, do find the....

*....to the State of New-Jersey,*

*Cr.*

*....old State Money.*

Dols. Cts.

By amount of Dolls. 1602 48 $\frac{1}{2}$ Law- ful Money exchanged at one for three, in state money of the e- mission of June 9th, 1780, ex- amined, counted, and burned this present sitting of the Legislature, by the committees of both Hou- ses as per voucher No. 1.	4,807 45
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*....ed to settle the Treasurer's accounts, having examined  
....same justly stated and balanced.*

ISAAC MICKLE,  
DAVID WELSH,  
ABRAHAM GODWIN,  
Wm. STOCKTON,  
JOHN HAAS,  
LEVI HOWELL,  
Wm. PEARSON.

Dr.

JAMES SALTAR, Treasurer....

*Account current in.....*

	Dols. Cts.
To balance due the state on settlement made October 30th, 1802.	6,720 65
To balance of the tax due December 1st, 1781, levied in state money Dolls. 342 13 which was received in specie at one for three agree- ably to a law passed March 9th, 1801,	114 04
To ditto received on the tax due January 1st, 1783, formerly payable to the continental receiver,	110 00
To ditto received on the tax due January 1st, 1784, formerly payable to the continental re- ceiver,	639 25
To ditto received on the arrears of taxes due from the counties of Burlington and Morris, agreeably to three laws, one passed March 9th 1801, and the others on the 23d, and 26th of November 1801.	5,532 78
To amount of tax due December 30th 1802.	30,000 00
To cash received of sundry persons,	8,606 57
To ditto received from the United States	3,415 13
To ditto received of the agents and commis- sioners of forfeited estates,	136 03
To ditto received for fees on private laws,	67 06
To ditto received of the commissioners of the New Loan Offices in the several counties, on account of interest 176 47 principal 630 77	807 24
Amount carried forward,	56,148 75

*...is the State of New-Jersey,*

*Cr.*

*...Lawful Money.*

Dols. Cts.

By amount of sundry vouchers from No. 1 to No. 70 for cash paid to the Members of the Legislature for their wages, to their Clerks, Doorkeepers, and to the Printers,	6,081	02
By ditto of ditto from No. 1 to No. 13 for ditto paid to the Officers of Government on account of their salaries, and to the Judges of the Supreme Court for Circuit Courts,	5,022	56
By ditto of ditto from No. 1 to No. 19 for ditto paid for sundry incidental charges,	602	67
By ditto of ditto from No. 1 to No. 43 for ditto paid on warrants for pensions,	2,020	11
By ditto of ditto from No. 1 to No. 3 for ditto paid for the principal and interest of forfeited estate notes,	54	45
By ditto of ditto from No. 1 to No. 8 for ditto paid for the principal and interest of Condict's militia and depreciation notes, agreeably to a law passed February 13th, 1797,	192	31
By ditto of ditto from No. 1 to No. 64 for ditto paid to the Keeper of the State-Prison, his Deputy-Assistants, &c. agreeably to a law passed February 15th, 1798, and the supplement thereto,	7,862	86
By ditto of ditto from No. 1 to No. 19 for ditto paid to the Collectors of the several counties, being the sums they paid for holding inquisitions,	948	42
Amount carried forward,	22,784	40

Dols. Cts.

To amount brought forward.	56,148 . 75 $\frac{1}{2}$
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56,148	75
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November 8th, 1803.

WE the Committees of Council and Assembly appoint....  
 the above, and the vouchers relative thereto viz. from....  
 No. 19, from No. 1, to No. 23, from No. 1, to No. 3, from....  
 No. 19, inclusive, do find a balance of twenty-two thou....  
 cents and  $\frac{1}{2}$  of a cent, remaining in the hands of the said....  
 fourteen dollars and eight cents, which he alleges was...

Dolls. Cts.

By amount brought forward,	22,784	40
By amount of the money taken out of the Treasury by Robbers, on the 21st of October 1803, being the sum of ten thousand nine hundred and fourteen dollars and eight cents, for which he prays allowance,	10,914	08
Balance due the State,	22,450	27
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	56,148	75

...ed to settle the Treasurer's accounts, having examined  
 ...No. 1 to No. 70, from No. 1 to No. 13, from No. 1, to  
 ...No. 1 to No 8, from No. 1 to No. 64, and from No. 1 to  
 ....sand, four hundred and fifty dollars, and twenty-seven  
 ....Treasurer (exclusive of ten thousand nine hundred and  
 ....taken by Robbers) agreeably to the above statement.

ISAAC MICKLE,  
 DAVID WELSH,  
 ABRAHAM GOOLWIN,  
 WILLIAM STOCKTON,  
 JOHN HALL,  
 LEVI HOWELL,  
 WILLIAM PEARSON.

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Dr.

JAMES SALTAR, Treasurer....

*Account current in...*

Dols. Cts.

To 10 notes signed by John Stevens former  
Treasurer, received of James Mott, late Treas-  
urer, agreeably to the settlement made Oc-  
tober 30th, 1802, amounting to,

63 22

November 8th, 1803.

WE the Committees of Council and Assembly appoint....  
the above, do find ten notes amounting to sixty-three....  
the Treasurer, agreeably to the above statement.

....to the State of New-Jersey,

*Cr.*

....Notes of Depreciation.

Dolls. Cts.

By 10 notes signed by John Stevens, former Treasurer, remaining in the hands of James Saltar, Treasurer, amounting to	63 22
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....ed to settle the Treasurer's accounts having examined  
....dollars, and twenty-two cents remaining in the hands of

ISAAC MICKLE,  
DAVID WELSH,  
ABRAHAM GODWIN,  
W<sub>M</sub>. STOCKTON,  
JOHN HAAS,  
LEVI HOWELL,  
W<sub>M</sub>. PEARSON.

*Dr.*JAMES SALTAR, *Treasurer,...**Account Current in*

Dolls. Cts.

To 28 Notes signed and issued by the Treasurer, and countersigned by the Auditor, remaining in the hands of the Treasurer on settlement made October 30, 1802, amounting to

820 30

November 8th, 1803.

WE the Committees of Council and Assembly, ap....  
mined the above do find twenty-eight Notes, amounting....  
remaining in the hands of the Treasurer, agreeably to....

*....to the State of New-Jersey,*

*Cr.*

*....Forfeited estate notes.*

	Dols. Cts.
By 28 notes remaining in the hands of James Saltar, Treasurer, amounting to	820 30

*....pointed to settle the Treasurer's accounts having exa-  
....to eight hundred and twenty dollars, and thirty cents  
....the above statement.*

ISAAC MICKLE,  
 DAVID WELSH,  
 ABRAHAM GODWIN.  
 Wm. STOCKTON,  
 JOHN HAAS,  
 LEVI HOWELL,  
 Wm. PEARSON.

Dr

JAMES SALTAR, *Treasurer....**On account of fines levied on Persons....*

	Dols. Cts.
To the quotas of the said Fines payable into the Treasury, agreeably to the returns made by the several counties,	
Bergen,                      71 fines,	213 00
Essex,                      33 ditto,	99 00
Middlesex,                88 ditto,	264 00
Monmouth,                121 ditto,	363 00
Somerset,                24 ditto,	72 00
Burlington,               265 ditto,	795 00
Gloucester,               415 ditto,	1,245 00
Salem,                      86 ditto,	258 00
Cape-May,                45 ditto,	135 00
Hunterdon,               118 ditto,	354 00
Amount carried forward	3798 00

*....to the State of New Jersey,**Cr.**....exempt from Militia duty, due December 30th, 1802.*

		Dols.	Cts.	Dols.	Cts.
By payments made clearances from the fines and Commissions for collection by the several counties,					
Bergen,	By cash received,			138	18
	By 24 clearances,	72	00		
	By commissions,	2	82		
Essex,	By cash received,			97	02
	By commissions,	1	98		
Middlesex,	By cash received,			246	96
	By 4 clearances,	12	00		
	By commissions,	5	04		
Monmouth,	By cash received,			335	16
	By 7 clearances,	21	00		
	By commissions,	6	84		
Somerset,	By cash received,			70	56
	By commissions,	1	44		
Burlington	By cash received,			658	56
	By 41 clearances,	123	00		
	By commissions,	13	44		
Gloucester,	By cash received,			993	72
	By 77 clearances,	231	00		
	By commissions,	20	28		
Salem,	By cash received,			252	84
	By commissions,	5	16		
Cape-May,	By cash received,			108	78
	By 8 clearances,	24	00		
	By commissions,	2	22		
Hunterdon,	By cash received,			343	98
	By 1 clearance,	3	00		
	By commissions,	7	02		
Amount carried forward,		552	24	3,245	76

Dolls. Cts.

To amount brought forward,		3,798 00
Morris,	75 Fines,	225 00
Cumberland,	87 ditto,	261 00
Suffex,	63 ditto,	189 00
		4,473 00

Dols.	Cts.	Dols.	Cts.
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By amount brought forward,		552	24	3,245	76
Morris,	By cash received,			120	54
	By 34 clearances,	102	00		
	By commissions,	2	46		
Cumberland,	By cash received,			241	18
	By 5 clearances,	15	00		
	By commissions,	4	82		
Sussex,	By cash received,			164	64
	By 7 clearances,	21	00		
	By commissions,	3	36		
		700	88	3,772	12
Amount of clearances with Commissions,		700	88		
Balance carried to account current,		3,772	12		
		4,473	00		

November 8th, 1803.

By order of the committees,

ISAAC MICKLE,  
ABRAHAM GODWIN.

*Dr.*JAMES SALTAR *Treasurer....**Account current in....**On account of the....*

	Dols. Cts.
To balance due the state on settlement made October 30, 1802.	10,494 07
To ditto, received on the fines due De- cember 30, 1802.	3,772 12
	<hr/> 14,266 19

November 8th, 1803.

WE the Committees of Council and Assembly appoint....  
 the above, and the vouchers relative thereto viz. from....  
 thousand, one hundred and eleven Dollars, and seventy....  
 agreeably to the above statement.

....to the State of New-Jersey,

*Cr.*

....*Lawf~~th~~l Money.*

....*exempt fines.*

Dols. Cts.

By amount of sundry vouchers from No.

1, to No. 29, inclusive, for cash paid to  
sundry officers their salaries and for  
expences and charges in organizing  
equipping and training the Militia,&c.

2,154 48

Balance due the State,

12,111 71

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14,266 19

....ed to settle the Treasurer's accounts, having examined  
....No. 1, to No. 29, inclusive, do find a balance of twelve  
....one cents remaining in the hands of the said Treasurer,

ISAAC MICKLE,  
DAVID WELSH,  
ABRAHAM GODWIN,  
WILLIAM STOCKTON,  
JOHN HAAS,  
LEVI HOWELL,  
WILLIAM PEARSON.

*Ordered,* That the said statement and report, do lie on the table.

Mr. Falkenburge asked, and obtained leave of absence, for the remainder of the sitting.

The House adjourned to three o'clock this afternoon.

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Three o'clock afternoon—The House met.

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The committee to whom was referred the petition from sundry inhabitants of the counties of Essex and Bergen, praying leave to erect a bridge over Berry's Creek, in the County of Bergen, beg leave to report,

That in their opinion, the petitioners ought to have leave to present a bill on the second Wednesday in the next sitting of the Legislature, to answer the prayer of the petition; they previously advertising the purport of the bill they mean to present, in both the newspapers, printed in the town of Newark, and in three of the most public places in the township where said bridge is intended to be made, at least three weeks previous to presenting said bill.

By order of the Committee,

ISRAEL DAY.

Which report was read, and agreed to by the House.

The Joint-Committee of Council and Assembly, appointed to examine the accounts of the State-Prison, Report,

That they have examined the said accounts, and find a nominal balance of 1581 dollars, 49 cents, against the prison, as appears from the general account current accompanying and annexed to this report, together with the vouchers from No. 1 to No. 7.

WILLIAM McCULLOUGH,  
JOHN LINN.

Which report was read, with the account current accompanying it, and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Cooper, from the Joint-Committee to whom was re-committed the former report of the committee appointed to enquire into the robbery of the treasury, made a report, in addition to the former one; which was read, and agreed to by the House.

A bill entitled, an act for the support of the Government of the State of New-Jersey, was read a second time.

On proceeding to fill the blank for the Governor's salary, it was moved to insert eighteen hundred and sixty-six dollars and fifty-six cents, as the sum to be allowed per year.

On the question being called for, the Yeas and Nays were demanded, and were as follow:

	<i>Yeaſ.</i>		<i>Yeas.</i>
Meffrs.	Burroughs, W. Coxe, Cooper, Godwin, Howell,	Meffrs.	Lacey, A. Pierſon, R. Smith, Voorhees.
	<i>Nayſ.</i>		<i>Nayſ.</i>
Meffrs.	Blanch, Beatty, Corwin, Day, Darby, Frelinghuysen, Falkenburge, Hankinson, Haas, Kipp, Knott, Kitchell, Linn,	Meffrs.	M' Eowen, Newell, Ogden, W. Pearson, Ryerson, Rifley, Ray, Scudder, Stockton, M. Smith, Stout, Shaver.

The question was then taken upon filling the blank with eighteen hundred dollars.

The Yeas and Nays being called for, were as follow:

<i>Yeaſ.</i>	<i>Yeas.</i>
Meffrs. Blanch, Burroughs, W. Coxe, Cooper, Corwin, Darby, Godwin, Howell, Johnson, Knott, Kitchell,	Meffrs. Lacey, Linn, Newell, A. Pierſon, Rifley, Scudder, M. Smith, R. Smith, Shaver, Voorhees.

<i>Nayſ.</i>	<i>Nayſ.</i>
Meffrs. Beatty, Day, Frelinghuſen, Falkenburge, Hankinſon, Haas, Kipp,	Meffrs. M'Eowen, Ogden, W. Pearson, Ryerson, Ray, Stockton, Stout.

On proceeding to fill up the blank in the provision for the Chief Justice, two sums were mentioned, viz. eleven hundred dollars, and one thouſand dollars.

The question was taken on the highest sum, and the Yeas and Nayſ being required, were as follow :

<i>Yeaſ.</i>	<i>Yeaſ.</i>
Meffrs. Blanch, Beatty, Burroughs, W. Coxe, Cooper, Corwin, Frelinghuſen, Falkenburge, Kitchell,	Meffrs. Lacey, M'Eowen, W. Pearson, Ryerson, Scudder, M. Smith, R. Smith, Voorhees.

<i>Nays.</i>	<i>Nays.</i>
Messrs. Day,	Messrs. Linn,
Darby,	N.
Godwin,	C.
Hankinson,	
Haas,	
Howell,	
Johnson,	Stockton,
Kipp,	Stout,
Knott,	Shaver.

The question was then taken upon one thousand dollars, and carried.

The remainder of the blanks in the bill were then respectively filled up, the bill agreed to, and ordered to be engrossed.

The report of the Joint-Committee appointed to examine the accounts of the State-Prison, was called up, and, on motion, agreed to.

The committee to whom were referred the petitions of sundry inhabitants of the County of Morris, in favor of, and in opposition to, the establishment of a new township, to be composed of parts of the townships of Hanover and Morris, in the said county, Report,

That the application appears to be supported by a considerable number of petitioners interested in the event, and residents within the bounds of the proposed township, and to be opposed by a very small number in the same situation—That no opposition appears to be made from the township of Morris—That due publicity was given to the application by publication in several of the most public places in the two townships, and in the Morris town paper for five successive weeks—That a large population and extent of territory will still remain in the townships of Morris and Hanover—That the general convenience of the inhabitants of the proposed township will be much promoted by the measure, and no material inconvenience will arise to the other parts of the county, that the committee can dif-

**cover.** Your committee therefore recommend that the petitioners have leave to present a bill conformably to the prayer of their petition on the second Wednesday of the next fitting, previously advertising a copy of this order in the paper of Morris county at least four successive weeks.

By order of the Committee,

W.M. COXE.

Which report was read, and agreed to by the House.

Mr Haas, from the committee for that purpose, reported a bill entitled An act to defray sundry incidental charges; which was read, and ordered a second reading.

Mr Godwin presented a bill entitled a supplement to the act entitled An act to regulate the elections of members of the Legislative Council and General Assembly, sheriffs, and Coroners, in this state; which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

The House adjourned to ten o'clock to-morrow morning.

**THURSDAY, November 10, 1803.**

Ten o'clock—The House met.

The committee to whom was referred the petition of a number of the inhabitants of the township of Downe, in the county of Cumberland, Report,

That the petitioners have leave to present a bill on the second Thursday of the next fitting of the Legislature; they previously advertising the purport of the bill they mean to present, at least three weeks previous to the time appointed to present said bill, in both the public newspapers printed in Trenton, and four of the most public places in the township of Downe.

By order of the Committee,

EDWARD BURROUGHS.

Which report was read, and agreed to by the House.

A petition from Hannah Wood, of the County of Gloucester, praying, for certain reasons therein set forth, that a law may pass to dissolve the marriage-contract between her and her husband Zachariah Wood;

Likewise, a petition from sundry inhabitants of said county, praying that the petition of Hannah Wood may be granted;

Were read, and committed to Messrs Cooper, Burroughs, and Lacey.

Several petitions from sundry inhabitants of the counties of Morris and Sussex, praying that a law may pass to incorporate a company for making a turn-pike road from Morristown in the county of Morris to Sparta in the county of Sussex, were read.

*Ordered,* That the petitioners have leave to present a bill to answer the prayer of their petition on the first Monday of the next sitting of the Legislature; they previously advertising the purport of the bill they mean to present, together with this order, in the Morristown Genius of Liberty, in the Newark Centinel of Freedom, and in four of the most public places on said road, at least three weeks previous to presenting said bill.

A message from Council, by Mr Beatty their Secretary, informed the House, that Council had passed the bill entitled An act for the more equal representation of the county of Essex in the General Assembly of this state, without amendment.

Council came into the Assembly-Room, and the two Houses went into Joint-Meeting; after which the Speaker resumed the chair.

A bill entitled An act for facilitating the communication from Paulus-Hook in the county of Bergen, through Newark, Elizabeth-Town, New-Brunswick, Princeton, and Trenton, to the river Delaware in the County of Hunterdon, was taken up, and postponed to the second Wednesday of the next sitting of the Legislature.

A bill entitled, An act for the support of the Government of the state of New-Jersey, was read a third time.

On the question, shall this bill pass?

It was carried in the affirmative as follows.

<i>Yeas.</i>	<i>Yeas.</i>
Messrs. Beaty,	Messrs. Linn,
W. Coxe,	M' Eowen,
Cooper,	Newell,
Corwin,	Ogden,
Day,	W. Pearson,
Darby,	A. Pierson,
Hankinson,	Ryerson,
Haas,	Riley,
Howell,	Scudder,
Johnson,	Stockton,
Kipp,	M. Smith,
Knott,	R. Smith,
Kitchell,	Voorhees,
Lacey,	
<i>Nays.</i>	<i>Nay.</i>
Messrs. Burroughs,	Mr. Stout.
Ray,	

*Ordered*, That the Speaker do sign the same.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry the same to Council and inform them, that it has been passed by this House, and request their concurrence thereto.

The House adjourned to three o'clock in the afternoon.

Three o'clock afternoon—The House met.

A bill entitled A supplement to the act entitled an act to regulate the elections of Members of the Legislative Council and General Assembly, Sheriffs, and Coroners in this

Rate, was read a second time, considered by section, amended, and ordered to be engrossed.

A message from Council, by Mr Beatty their Secretary, informed the House, that Council had passed the Bill entitled An act explanatory of the act for facilitating the communication from Elizabeth-Town in the County of Essex, through Morristown in the county of Morris, and from thence into Sussex, without amendment.

The committee to whom were referred the several petitions from Enoch Bowen, Susanna Simson, and Hannah Burnet, relative to divorce, report by Bill in behalf of the first named petitioner, and beg leave to refer the other two to the next sitting of the Legislature.

By order of the committee,

JOHN A. SCUDDER.

Which bill was read, and ordered a second reading; and the remainder of the report agreed to.

Mr Knott, agreeably to leave given at the last sitting, presented a bill entitled An act to regulate the pasturing of the land and meadow lying on Manassquan beach, in the county of Monmouth, and for other purposes therein mentioned, which bill was read, and ordered a second reading on the third Monday of the next sitting.

A bill for the relief of Mathias Ackerman, was read a second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A bill entitled An act to defray sundry incidental charges, was read a second time, considered by items, and ordered to be engrossed.

A bill entitled An act for the relief of Insolvent Debtors, was read a third time.

On the question, shall this bill pass?

It was carried in the affirmative as follows:

<i>Yea.</i>	<i>Yea.</i>
Messrs. Blanch, Beatty, Burroughs,	Messrs. Newell, W. Pearson, A. Pierson,

*Yea.*

W. Coxe,  
Corwin,  
Day,  
Frelinghuysen,  
Godwin,  
Kipp,  
Kitchell,  
Lacey,

*Nays.*

Messrs. Cooper,  
Darby,  
Hankinson,  
Johnson,  
Knott,

*Yea.*

Ryerson,  
Riley,  
Ray,  
Scudder,  
Stockton,  
M. Smith,  
R. Smith.

*Nays.*

Messrs. Linn,  
M'Eowen,  
Ogden,  
Stout,  
Shaver.

*Ordered,* That the speaker do sign said bill.

*Ordered,* That the Clerk do carry the said bill to Council, and inform them that it has been passed by this House, and request their concurrence thereto.

A bill entitled An additional supplement to the act entitled An act to regulate the elections of Members of the Legislative Council and General Assembly, sheriffs and Coroners in this state, was read a third time.

On the question, shall this bill pass?

It was carried unanimously in the affirmative.

*Ordered,* That the speaker do sign said bill.

*Ordered,* That the Clerk do carry the said bill to Council, and inform them that it is passed by this House, and request the concurrence of Council thereto.

A message from Council, by Mr Beatty their Secretary, informed the House, that Council had disagreed to the bill entitled An act for the relief of insolvent debtors.

*Resolved,* That on the adjournment of the Legislature the Clerk of Assembly, and Moore Furman, Esquire, or either of them, be requested to take charge of the State-House, with directions not to permit it to be occupied for any other purpose than for the accommodation of the constituted authorities for which it was erected.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry the foregoing Resolution to Council, inform them that it has been passed by this House, and request their concurrence thereto.

The bill entitled, An act to defray sundry Incidental charges, was read a third time.

On the question, shall this bill pass?

It was carried unanimously in the affirmative.

*Ordered*, That the Speaker do sign said bill.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry the said bill to Council, and inform them that it is passed by this House, and request their concurrence thereto.

A message from Council, by Mr Beatty their Secretary, informed the House, that Council had agreed to the resolution authorizing the Clerk of the Assembly and Moore Furman, Esquire, or either of them, to take charge of the State-House on the adjournment of the Legislature.

The House adjourned to eight o'clock to-morrow morning.

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FRIDAY, November 11, 1803.

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Eight o'clock—The House met.

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Whereas by the adjournment of the Legislature at an earlier period than was contemplated, the Assembly will not be in session at the time appointed for Timothy Brewster to present a bill.

*Ordered*, That the said Timothy Brewster have leave to present said bill on the second Friday of the next sitting, having previously advertised the purport thereof in three of the most public places of the township of Woodbridge, for at least three weeks.

*Resolved*, That the care of the State-House Yard be committed to James J. Wilson, reserving the use of the buildings in the said yard for the necessary occasions of the officers of government.

*Ordered,* That the Clerk do carry the foregoing Resolution to Council, inform them that it has been passed by this House and request their concurrence thereto.

A petition from sundry officers of the Somerset Militia, praying that some provision might be made by law for the payment of teachers of field music, was read and committed to Messrs Beatty, Linn, and Van Duyn.

*Resolved,* That when this House adjourns, it will adjourn to the first Wednesday in February next.

A message from Council, by Mr Beatty their Secretary, informed the House that Council had passed the bill entitled An additional supplement to the act entitled An act to regulate the elections of Members of the Legislative Council, and General Assembly, Sheriffs, and Coroners, in this state; and the bill entitled An act for the support of the Government of New Jersey; and the bill entitled An act to defray sundry incidental charges; without amendment; also that Council had concurred in the resolution sent up from this House this morning relative to the State-House-Yard.

*Resolved,* That the Governor, of this State be authorized to issue his proclamation offering a reward of 2500 dollars, in addition to the reward already offered by the Treasurer for the apprehension and conviction of one or more of the Robbers of the State Treasury.

*Ordered,* That the Clerk do carry this resolution to Council, and inform them that it is passed by this House, and request their concurrence thereto.

A message from Council by Mr Beatty their Secretary, informed the House, that Council had disagreed to the resolution from this House authorizing the Governor to offer a reward for the apprehension and conviction of the robbers of the State Treasury.

The Speaker adjourned the House to ten o'clock on the first Wednesday in February next.

VOTES  
AND  
PROCEEDINGS  
OF THE  
TWENTY-EIGHTH  
*GENERAL ASSEMBLY,*  
OF THE  
STATE OF NEW-JERSEY,

AT A SESSION BEGUN AT TRENTON, ON THE TWENTY-FIFTH DAY  
OF OCTOBER, ONE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED AND THREE,  
AND CONTINUED BY ADJOURNMENTS:

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BEING THE SECOND SITTING.

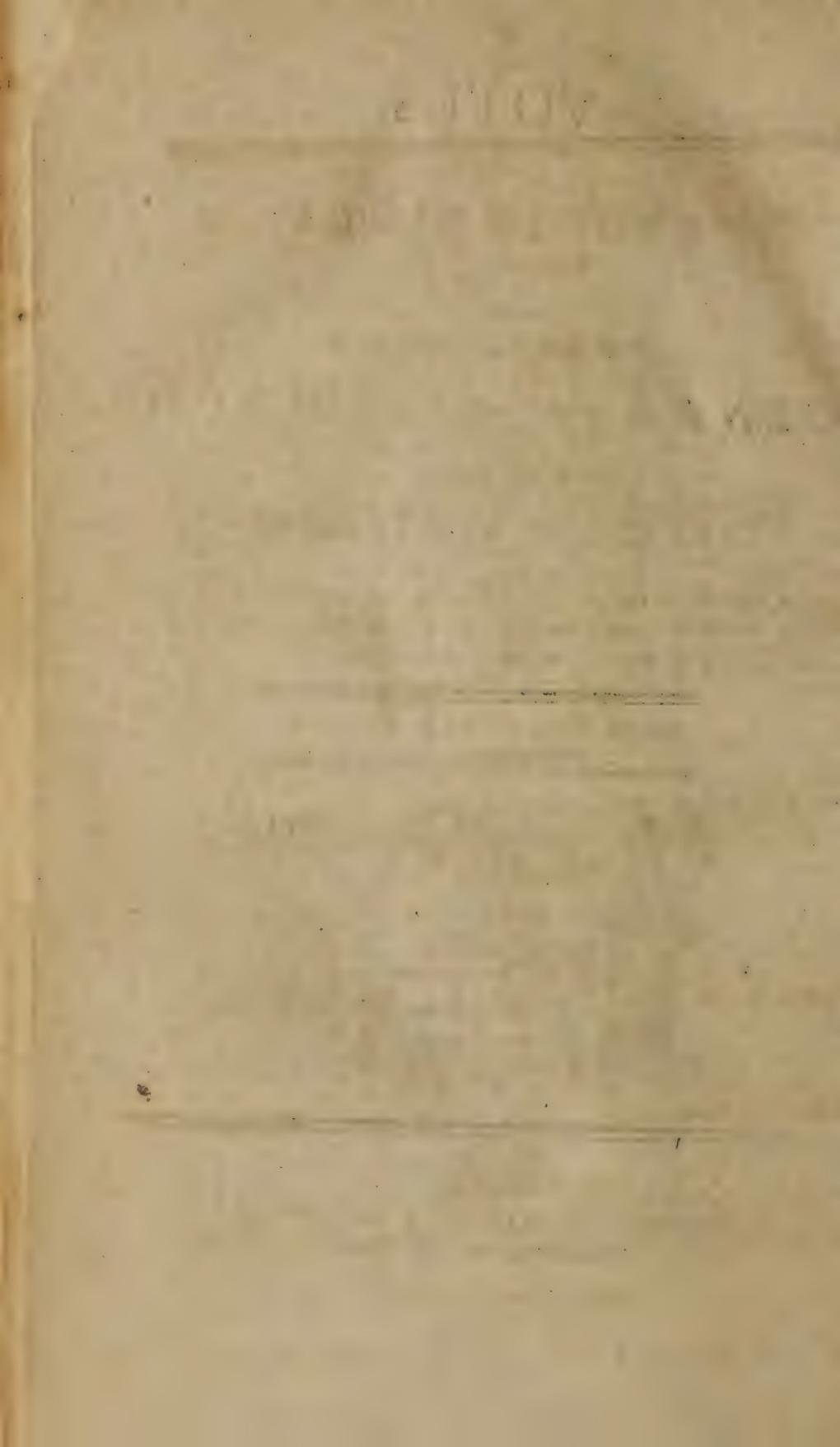
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## *List of Members of the Legislative Council.*

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Bergen,	THE HONORABLE,	John Outwater,	Esquires.
Essex,		John Dodd,	
Middlesex,		Ephraim Martin,	
Monmouth,		Thomas Little,	
Somerset,		Peter D. Vroom,	
Burlington,		Samuel Hough,	
Gloucester,		Isaac Mickle,	
Salem,		William Parret,	
Cape-May,		Ebenezer Newton,	
Hunterdon,		John Lambert, V. P.	
Morris,		David Welsh,	
Cumberland,		George Burgin,	
Sussex,		William McCullough,	

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## *List of Members of the General Assembly.*

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### BERGEN.

Thomas Blanch, Isaac Kipp, Martin I. Ryerson, Esquires.

### ESSEX.

Abraham Godwin, Israel Day, Ezra Darby, Esquires.

### MIDDLESEX.

Ercuries Beatty, Gershon Dunn, James Voorhees, Esqr's.

### MONMOUTH.

James Cox, Sp. Peter Knott, John A. Scudder, Esquires.

## SOMERSET.

Frederick Frelinghuysen, James Van Duyn, William M'Éowen, Esquires.

## BURLINGTON.

William Coxe, William Pearson, William Stockton, John Lacey, Esquires,

## GLOUCESTER.

Joseph Cooper, Robert Newell, Richard Risley, Esquires.

## SALEM.

Edward Burroughs, Merryman Smith, Samuel Ray, Esqrs.

## CAPE MAY.

Joseph Falkenburge, Esquire.

## HUNTERDON.

Hugh Runyan, Joseph Hankinson, John Haas, Nathan Stout, Esquires.

## MORRIS.

Aaron Kitchell, William Corwin, Jonathan Ogden, Esqrs.

## CUMBERLAND.

Azel Pierson, Robert Smith, Esquires.

## SUSSEX.

Levi Howell, John Linn, Abraham Shaver, John Johnson, Esquires.

# Notes and Proceedings

OF THE

## TWENTY-EIGHTH

# GENERAL ASSEMBLY

OF THE

## STATE OF NEW-JERSEY.

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TRENTON, *February 1, 1804.*

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Ten o'clock, Forenoon.

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PURSUANT to adjournment at the last sitting,  
the following Members met, to wit:

Messrs. Blanch,	Messrs. Kitchel,
Corwin,	Linn,
Day,	M'Eowen,
Darby,	Newell,
Frelinghuysen,	Ogden,
Godwin,	W. Pearson,
Hankinson,	Ray,
Haas,	Stout,
Howell,	Shaver,
Johnson,	Voorhees,
Kipp,	VanDuyn.

Gershom Dunn, Esq. as Representative for the county  
of Middlesex, and Hugh Runyan, Esq. as Representative  
for the county of Hunterdon in the room of Peter Gordon,  
Esq. resigned, appeared, produced the certificates of their

election, were duly qualified, and took their seats in the House.

*Ordered,* That the Clerk do wait on Council and inform them that a sufficient number of Members of this House have met, formed a quorum, and proceeded to business.

The House adjourned to three o'clock this afternoon.

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Three o'clock afternoon.... The House met.

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The following members, not present in the morning, attended in their places, viz. Messrs. Cooper, Burroughs, and M. Smith.

A message from Council by Mr Beatty their Secretary, acquainted this House, that a sufficient number of the members of Council have this day met and proceeded to business.

The Secretary also delivered to this House a Message from the Governor of this State, which was read, as follows :

February 1st, 1804.

On the 17th of December last, I received from the President of the United States, an attested copy, of "An article of amendment proposed by Congress, to be added to the Constitution of the United States, respecting the election of President and Vice-President,"—and which is submitted to the consideration of the Legislature of the State of New-Jersey.

The late revised *Laws* of the state of New-York, and a large *Map* of that state have been presented by the Legislature thereof, and are herewith delivered.

### JOSEPH BLOOMFIELD.

The letter from the President of the United States, and the article of Amendment enclosed therein being read,

*Ordered,* That the said article of Amendment have a second reading, and that the Clerk have the usual number of copies thereof printed for the use of the Members.

*Ordered*, That the Map of the State of New-York, presented by the Legislature thereof to the Legislature of this State, be hung up in the Assembly-room.

*Ordered*, That a Committee be appointed to examine the Minutes of last sitting, and report a list of the business referred or remaining unfinished; and that Messrs. Scudder, W. Pearson, and Van Duyn, be a committee for that purpose.

Mr. Ogden, agreeably to leave given at the last sitting, presented a bill for setting off parts of the townships of Roxbury and Pequanack, in the county of Morris, into a separate township, to be called, the Township of Jefferson, which bill was read, and ordered a second reading.

Several petitions were presented, from certain inhabitants of the county of Essex, praying that a new township may be set off from parts of the township of Westfield, and the borough of Elizabeth, which were read, and committed to Messrs. Day, M'Eowen, and Stout.

A petition was presented, from the Abolition Society of this State, in favour of the law now depending for the gradual extinction of Slavery in this State; which was read and ordered a second reading.

The House Adjourned to ten o'clock to-morrow morning.

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## THURSDAY, February 2.

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Ten o'clock....The House met.

The following members, not present yesterday, attended in their places, viz.

Messrs Beatty, Knott, A. Pieron, Risley, Scudder, and R. Smith.

Mr Scudder from the Committee appointed for that purpose, reported the following List of Business referred or remaining unfinished at the late sitting.

No. 1. The report of Mr. Lacey of the 16th November, 1802, on the bill entitled "An act to build a toll-bridge over Rahway river, and for other purposes therein mentioned; and

No. 2. A letter from the Treasurer, were reported as unfinished business at the last session, and not taken up at the late sitting.

No. 3. The bill entitled, "An act for facilitating the communication from the Hudson river, opposite the City of New-York, through Newark, Elizabeth-town, New-Brunswick, Princeton, and Trenton, to the river Delaware," was postponed to the second Wednesday of the next fitting.

No. 4. A petition from a number of inhabitants of the town of Newark, praying to be incorporated into a company for assuring houses against fire, and other purposes, was read and committed to Messrs. Beatty, Cooper, Howell, Ray, and W. Pearson.

No. 5. The Resolutions from the State of North-Carolina respecting electors of President and Vice-President of the United States, were postponed.

No. 6. The report of the Committee on the petition of the legatees of Gilbert Molleson, favorable to the petitioners was agreed to by the House, but not acted upon.

No. 7. The bill entitled "An act to authorize Silas Dickerson and others, with whom he may associate to erect bathing-houses and other buildings at and about the Schooly's mountain mineral springs, in the County of Morris;"

No. 8. The Resolution for the appointment of a Committee to enquire into certain transactions which had taken place in Trenton;

No. 9. A bill entitled an act to establish Post Guides, and to facilitate travelling in and through this State;

No. 10. A petition of sundry inhabitants of the County of Gloucester, praying that a law may pass to raise the jurisdiction of Justices of the peace;

No. 11. A petition of sundry inhabitants of the County of Gloucester, praying that a law may pass making assaults and batteries, riots, affrays, &c, cognizable before two justices of the peace ;

No. 12. A bill entitled a supplement to an act entitled an act more effectually to prevent the waste of timber in this state;

No. 13. A bill entitled an act to provide for the establishment of markets for the sale of live stock in the several counties of this State ;

No. 14. The report of the committee appointed to examine the accounts of Peter Gordon, esquire, for repairs done to the State-House, and to examine the accounts for repairs done to the government-house ;

No. 15. The bill entitled, " An act to dissolve the marriage contract between Enoch Bowen and Elizabeth Bowen, formerly Elizabeth Heaton, his wife ;"

Were read and ordered a second reading.

No. 16. The bill entitled " An act to regulate the pasturing of the land and meadow lying on Manasquan beach, in the county of Monmouth, and for other purposes therein mentioned," was read, and ordered a second reading on the third Monday of the next sitting.

No. 17. A petition from Abraham Covenhoven praying Legislative aid, was read, and ordered to lie on the table.

No. 18. Petitions from Susannah Simson, and Hannah Burnet praying for divorce from their husbands, were referred to the next sitting.

No. 19. A petition from Hannah Wood, praying to be divorced from her husband, was read and committed to Messrs Cooper, Burroughs, and Lacey.

No. 20. Sundry petitions relative to the militia law, were referred to Messrs Beatty, Linn, and Van Duyn.

No. 21. Sundry petitions praying a revision of the law for the suppression of vice and immorality, were committed to Messrs A. Pierson, Corwin, and Newell.

No. 22. A petition from sundry inhabitants of the county of Somerset, praying that some person or persons may be invested with authority to sell and convey the estate of Alexander M'Cullum, an insane person, to discharge his debts therefrom, and appropriate the residue to his maintenance, was committed to Messrs M'Eowen, Hankinson, and Burroughs.

No. 23. The bill entitled An act for the gradual Abolition of Slavery, was read, ordered to be postponed, and meanwhile published in the two Trenton papers.

A petition was presented from Abraham Baldwin and sundry associates, praying that a law may pass granting them the exclusive right, within this State, for seven years of setting up and using Machines for breaking and carding wool; which petition was read, and committed to Messrs Van Duyn, Godwin, and Blanch.

*Ordered*, That Messrs Johnson, Kipp, and Ogden be a Committee to prepare and report a bill for defraying incidental charges.

*Ordered*, That the petition from Hannah Burnet, praying to be divorced from her husband William Burnet, together with a petition from a number of inhabitants, corroborating the facts set forth in her petition, and praying that it may be granted, be committed to Messrs Cooper, Scudder, and Burroughs.

A petition from a number of inhabitants of Gloucester county, praying the Legislature to pass a law to prevent certain civil practices now common in the fisheries on the river Delaware, was read, and committed to Messrs Frelinghuysen, Cooper, and Ray.

A petition from sundry inhabitants of the county of Bergen, in opposition to one presented at the last sitting praying for the removal of certain obstructions in the river Passaic, was presented and referred to the committee on the former petition, namely Messrs Blanch, Risley, and Newell.

A petition from a number of inhabitants of the county of Cumberland, praying a law to authorize the stopping and

turning of a certain stream therein mentioned, was read, and committed to Messrs R. Smith, Newell, and Runyan.

A petition from Rachel Parker, praying for certain reasons therein set forth, that a law may pass to divorce her from her husband Richard Parker, together with certain papers accompanying the petition, were read, and referred to Messrs Cooper, Scudder, and Burroughs.

*Ordered,* That two members be added to the committee already appointed on the applications for divorces, and that all further applications of this nature be referred to that committee.

Messrs. Beatty and Howell were accordingly appointed.

A petition from Maj. James Abrahams, Col. William Wyckoff, and others, inhabitants of Middlesex county, praying a law to vest in them the exclusive right to improve and make navigable the river Macheponix, was read and committed to Messrs Dunn, M. Smith, and Knott, with leave to report by bill or otherwise.

A petition from a number of inhabitants of the county of Hunterdon, praying the Legislature so to amend the law for the suppression of vice and immorality as to put a stop to the prevalent practice of horse-racing, was read and referred to Messrs A. Pierson, Corwin, and Newell.

A petition from John Throckmorton, a Lieutenant entitled to half pay from his Britannic Majesty, praying that the Legislature would pass a law authorizing him to purchase, hold, and dispose of, lands and real estate in the State of New-Jersey, was read, and ordered to be dismissed.

A petition from Jacob Swope praying leave to bring in a bill to authorize the conveyance to him of a certain Lot of Land therein mentioned, was read and committed to Messrs Cooper, Kipp, and Haas.

The House adjourned to three o'clock in the afternoon.

Three o'clock afternoon....The House met.

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The following members in addition to those present this morning appeared in their places, viz. Mr W. Coxe and Mr Stockton.

The committee to whom was referred the petition from sundry inhabitants of the borough of Elizabeth and township of Westfield in the county of Essex, in favor of establishing a new township to be composed of parts of the above borough and township, report,

That in their opinion, the petitioners ought to have leave to present a bill on the third Tuesday of the present fitting of the Legislature to answer the prayer of the petition, they advertising the purport of the bill they mean to present in the New-Jersey Journal, and in three of the most public places in each of the above mentioned townships, for two weeks previous to presenting said bill.

By order of the committee,

ISRAEL DAY.

Which report was read, and agreed to by the House.

*Ordered*, That the amendment proposed by Congress to the Constitution, and submitted to the Legislature of this State by the Governor thereof at the request of the President of the United States, be referred to a committee of the whole House, and made the order of the day for Tuesday next.

A petition from sundry inhabitants of Gloucester county, praying that elections at town-meetings may be made by ballot, was read and committed to Messrs Darby, Risley, and Dunn.

Several petitions from sundry inhabitants of Gloucester county, praying that the Legislature will pass a law abolishing the British Statute and common Law in this State, and establishing a system of practice, were read and ordered a second reading.

*Resolved*, That a Committee be appointed to bring in a bill to direct the time and mode of electing Electors of President and Vice-President of the United States by the People at large, and to repeal so much of the former law as relates to that subject.

*Ordered*, That Messrs Kitchell, Beatty, and Johnson, be a Committee for the above purpose.

*Resolved*, That a Committee be appointed to bring in a bill to direct the time and mode of electing Representatives in the House of Representatives of the Congress of the United States, from this State, for the next Congress.

*Ordered*, That Messrs Darby, W. Coxe, and Linn, be a Committee for the above purpose.

The House adjourned to ten o'clock to-morrow morning.

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FRIDAY, *February 3.*

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Ten o'clock.... The House met.

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The Committee to whom was referred a petition from a number of the inhabitants of the county of Gloucester, praying that a law may be passed requiring township officers to be chosen by ballot,

Report, That, in their opinion, the existing laws for the regulation of town-meetings will authorize them to make their elections by ballot; and that it would not be expedient to confine them to this mode; and that, of course, there is no necessity of Legislative interference.

By order of the Committee,

EZRA DARBY.

Which report was read, and agreed to by the House.

The Committee to whom was referred the petition of Abraham Baldwin, of the State of Vermont, in behalf of

himself and others, praying the Legislature to grant him and his associates the exclusive right of erecting and using Carding Machines, to be worked by water, steam, or the strength of beasts, for the purpose of carding sheep's-wool, for the term of seven years,

Report, That, in the opinion of your Committee, the petitioners have leave to present a bill, to answer the prayer of their petition.

By order of the Committee,

JAMES VAN DUYN.

Which report was read, and agreed to by the House.

Mr Van Duyn presented a bill entitled "An act vesting in John Clark, of the town of Paterson, in this State, and others an exclusive right of constructing and using Machines for carding sheep's-wool in this State for a limited time," which was read and ordered a second reading.

Sundry petitions were presented from inhabitants of the counties of Burlington and Monmouth, praying for certain alterations in the act for the preservation of timber in this State; which were read, and committed to Messrs Linn, Kipp, and Knott, together with a bill, and sundry petitions, on the same subject, presented to the House at the late sitting.

The bill for setting off parts of the townships of Roxbury and Pequanack in the county of Morris, and establishing a new township to be called the Township of Jefferson, was read a second time, considered by sections, and postponed.

Mr Voorhees presented a bill entitled An act to regulate the Shad-fisheries on South-River in the county of Middlesex, which was read.

*Ordered*, That this bill have a second reading on Friday the 17th instant, and that the applicants for the bill do advertise this order in three of the most public places in the neighborhood of South-River, at least one week previous to the day assigned for the second reading of the said bill.

The House adjourned to three o'clock this afternoon.

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Three o'clock afternoon....The House met.

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Mr Falkenburge attended in his place.

The bill entitled An act for the gradual Abolition of Slavery, was called up, read a second time, and referred to a committee of the whole House on Thursday next.

A petition from John Bray, praying to be invested by law with power to make deeds of conveyance for certain lands therein mentioned, was read, and committed to Messrs M'Eowen, Ogden, and Falkenburge.

Sundry petitions praying for a revision of the Law for the laying out, vacating, and altering of roads, were read.

*Resolved*, That a committee of five Members be appointed, to whom all petitions that have been or may be presented to this House on the subject of roads shall be referred, and that the committee have leave to report by bill or otherwise.

*Ordered*, That Messrs Stout, Blanch, Burroughs, Stockton, and R. Smith be a committee for the purpose above mentioned.

The House resumed the consideration of the bill for setting off a new township from the townships of Roxbury and Pequanack, and having gone through the same, and directed it to be entitled An act to incorporate parts of the townships of Roxbury and Pequanack, in the county of Morris, into a separate township, to be called the township of Jefferson,

*Ordered*, That the said bill be engrossed.

The bill entitled An act to dissolve the Marriage-contract between Enoch Bowen and Elizabeth Bowen, formerly Elizabeth Heaton his wife, was read a second time;

and on the question shall this bill have a third reading? It was carried unanimously in the negative.

The House Adjourned to ten o'clock to-morrow morning.

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## SATURDAY, *February 4.*

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Ten o'clock... The House met.

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The bill entitled An act to authorize Silas Dickerson and others, with whom he may associate, to erect bathing-houses and other buildings at and about the Schooly's mountain mineral springs, in the County of Morris, was called up; and, after a petition being read against its passage, was committed, with the papers concerning it, to Messrs Kitchell, Howell, and Hankinson.

The bill entitled An act vesting in John Clark, of the town of Paterson, in this State, and others an exclusive right of constructing and using Machines for carding Sheep's-wool in this State for a limited time, was read a second time, the first section considered and amended, and the bill as amended committed to Messrs VanDuyn, Godwin, and Blanch.

Sundry petitions from a number of inhabitants of Gloucester county, for a law making Assaults and Batteries cognizable before two Justices of the Peace, were read and committed to Messrs Beatty, A. Pierson, and Runyan.

A petition from John Latney, praying a law to divorce him from his wife Ann Latney, was read, and dismissed.

A petition from Christopher Case, of the county of Sussex, praying Legislative interference in the case therein set forth, was read, and with sundry papers accompanying the same, ordered to be dismissed.

A petition from a number of inhabitants of the county of Cape-May, praying a law to appoint Commissioners to

lay out more straight a certain road therein mentioned, was read, and ordered a second reading.

The House adjourned to ten o'clock on Monday morning.

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## MONDAY, February 6.

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Ten o'clock... The House met.

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Mr VanDuyn from the committee to whom that subject was referred, reported a bill entitled An act vesting in John Clark of the town of Paterson, in this State, and others, an exclusive right of constructing and using certain Machines for carding Sheep's-wool, in this State for a limited time; which was read, debated upon, and postponed.

The Committee to whom the bill respecting the Mineral Springs on Schooley's mountain was referred, report,

That they have had the business referred to them under consideration and find that James Rusling is the claimant, and lives upon the lands within a little more than a mile of said Springs, that the said Rusling produced a deed to your committee to him for said lands, from a Mr Garbet, with conditions of warrantee for said Land and Springs, executed in 1797, that said Rusling informs that he is at any time ready to sell or rent said Springs with sufficient lands for buildings and accommodations, but has never been applied to by Silas Dickerson or any other person for him.

Your committee are therefore of opinion that the owner of said Lands and Springs, and such persons as wish to occupy them, are the most proper persons to settle the terms of occupancy, and that Legislative interposition is not necessary, and in their opinion the bill ought to be dismissed.

By order of the Committee,

AARON KITCHELL.

Which report was read, and agreed to by the House.

*Resolved*, That a Committee be appointed to enquire into the compensation allowed to the Keeper of the State Prison, and whether any and what alteration appears necessary in the same.

*Ordered*, That Messrs Day, W. Pearson, and Haas, be a committee for the above purpose.

Mr VanDuyn, from the committee on that subject, reported a bill entitled An act for the sale of the Real Estate of Gilbert Molleson deceased, which was read and ordered a second reading.

A petition from Christian Senf and Gertrude his wife, praying a law authorising them to make title to a certain real estate therein mentioned, was read and committed to Messrs Frelinghuysen, Godwin, and Voorhees, with leave to report by bill or otherwise.

Sundry petitions from Cumberland county, praying a law to make Assualts and Batteries, cognizable by two Justices of the Peace in the county where the offence is committed, were read and referred to the committee already appointed on that subject.

A memorial from Thomas Henderson, one of the Justices of the Peace of the county of Monmouth, suggesting the propriety of certain amendments to the Act for the trial of small causes; was read, and committed to Messrs Scudder, Stockton, and Ray.

Agreeably to leave given at the last sitting, Mr Kitchell presented a bill entitled An act for facilitating the communication from Morristown in the county of Morris, through Dover, Mount-Pleasant, and from thence to Sparta in the county of Sussex; which bill, with sundry petitions for and against the same, were read, and ordered a second reading.

The House adjourned to three o'clock this afternoon.

Three o'clock afternoon....The House met.

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Mr Lacey appeared and took his seat in the House.

The committee to whom was committed the petition of Hannah Burnet, beg leave to report,

That in the opinion of your Committee the petitioner ought to have leave to present a bill to answer the prayer of her petition, her case being not provided for by law.

By order of the Committee,

JOSEPH COOPER.

Which report was read, and agreed to by the House.

Mr Cooper, from the committee on the subject of divorces, presented a bill entitled "An act to divorce Hannah Burnet;" which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

Mr Frelinghuysen, from the committee on that subject, reported a bill entitled An act to enable Gertrude Senf an alien to take and hold to her own use the House and Lot of Ground therein mentioned; which was read and ordered a second reading.

Mr M'Eowen, from the committee for that purpose, reported A supplement to the act entitled An act for supporting Ideots and Lunatics, and preserving their estates; which bill was read, and ordered a second reading.

A petition from Thomas Havens, late a soldier in the militia of the county of Essex, who was wounded in the Revolutionary war, under the command of Col. Philip Van Cortlandt, praying Legislative aid, was read, and committed to Messrs Lacey, Godwin, and Shaver.

A petition from a Committee of the Trenton "Resolution Fire Company," praying the House, as Guardians of the public property of the State within the City of Trenton and its vicinity, to assist them in procuring an Engine and

other implements necessary to extinguishing fire, was read and postponed.

James J. Wilson, Clerk of the House, asked and obtained leave of absence for two days.

John Johnson, Esq. was appointed by the House their Clerk pro tempore.

The House adjourned to ten o'clock to-morrow morning.

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## TUESDAY, February 7.

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Ten o'clock...The House met.

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Mr Ryerson appeared and took his seat in the House.

*Ordered,* That two members be added to the committee appointed to enquire into the compensation allowed to the Keepers of the State Prison, and that they have power to inquire into the state of the institution generally, and make report to the House thereon; Messrs Ryerson and Hanksin were appointed.

The committee to whom was committed the petition of Susannah Simpson, having heard the allegations of the said Susannah, and the testimony relative thereto in support of said petition, do report,

That it is the opinion of your Committee that the petitioner ought to have leave to present a bill to answer the prayer of her petition.

By the unanimous order of the Committee,

JOSEPH COOPER.

Which report was read, and agreed to by the House.

A petition from sundry inhabitants of the township of Woodbridge, praying a certain section may be introduced before the passing of a law, authorizing Timothy Brewster to

erect a dam across Woodbridge creek; was read, and ordered a second reading on Friday next.

A petition from a number of the inhabitants of the county of Middlesex, praying a law may pass to make further provisions for repairing high-ways, was read and referred to the committee already appointed on that subject.

The bill entitled An act to dissolve the marriage contract between Susannah Simpson, formerly Susannah Hammil, and James Simpson her husband, was read and ordered a second reading.

The bill entitled An act to enable Gertrude Senf an alien to take and hold to her own use the house and lot of ground therein mentioned, was read a second time, considered by sections, and ordered to be engrossed.

Sundry petitions were presented from the inhabitants of the City of Trenton and other parts of the State, praying a law may pass, to facilitate the travelling from Paulus-Hook through this State, to the River Delaware; which were read and ordered a second reading.

A petition was presented from a number of the inhabitants of the counties of Morris and Essex, praying the Legislature to grant them leave by way of Lottery to raise one thousand dollars to be applied to the repairing of the Pine-Brook Road; which was read and committed to Messrs Stout, Ogden, and Howell.

The House adjourned to three o'clock in the afternoon.

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Three o'clock, afternoon... The House met.

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The committee to whom was referred the petition of Thomas Havens, Report,

That from the examination of the papers and vouchers accompanying the said petition, your committee find the said Thomas Havens to have been wounded in the right thigh by a musket ball, in an action between the British

troops and the Militia of this State at the Connecticut Farms, in or about the month of June, in the year 1780. It also appears to your committee that the ball still remains in his thigh, and that it has greatly injured his activity and ability to labour in acquiring a livelihood, to support and bring up a large family of children. Nevertheless, the said Havens has, by a life of strict morality, industry, and economy, sustained a livelihood for himself and family for many years; but growing infirm and the severity of his wound increasing, he being rendered incapable further to support himself and family from the incapacity of his wounds, induced him to apply to this House for relief. Under the peculiar circumstances of the petitioner's case, your committee conceive him to be a proper object for the interference of the Legislature, and that leave be given him to bring in a bill to place him on the pension list of wounded and disabled Soldiers of the State, allowing to him such salary as is now given to others in like case.

By order of the committee,

J. LACEY.

Which report was read, and ordered a second reading.

The engrossed bill entitled An act to incorporate parts of the townships of Roxbury and Pequanack, in the county of Morris, into a separate township, to be called the township of Jefferson, was read and compared.

On the question, Shall this bill pass? It was carried unanimously in the affirmative.

*Ordered*, That the Speaker do sign the same.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry the same to Council and request their concurrence therein.

On motion, made and seconded, *Ordered*, That the following be made a standing rule of this House, viz.

That in all cases of the House going into a committee of the whole, the Speaker appoint a Chairman.

The order of the day being called for relative to the proposed amendment of the Constitution of the United States, the House went into a committee of the whole,

Mr Beatty in the chair ; and after some time spent thereon, the committee rose, and the Speaker resumed the chair, when the Chairman of the committee reported progress, and obtained leave to sit again ; and that it be the order of the day for Tuesday next.

*Ordered*, That the committee appointed to draft a bill for choosing Representatives for the Ninth Congress of the United States, be discharged, and that the duties of said committee be vested in the committee appointed to draft a bill for choosing the Electors of President and Vice-President of the United States.

*Ordered*, That the committee appointed last sitting to inquire into the Militia Laws of this State be invested with general powers, and that Messrs Day and Lacey be added to said committee.

A petition from a number of the inhabitants of the county of Middlesex, praying that the Militia Fines may be raised, was read, and referred to the committee on the Militia Law.

The House adjourned to ten o'clock to-morrow morning.

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## WEDNESDAY, February 8.

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Ten o'clock...The House met.

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The bill entitled " An act for the relief of Thomas Havens," was read, and ordered a second reading.

A petition was presented from Henry Perine, of the county of Monmouth, praying a law may pass, authorizing the Treasurer to refund certain monies which he paid to the Commissioners of forfeited Estates for land bought of them, which property was reclaimed by another owner ; which was read and committed to Messrs Frelinghuysen, Scudder, and Kitchell.

A petition was presented from Benjamin Tharp, respecting certain certificates therein set forth; which was read and committed to Messrs Dunn, M. Smith, and Risley.

Mr Ryerson presented a bill to authorize certain persons therein named, to build a Bridge across Berry's Creek, in the county of Bergen; which was read and ordered a second reading.

*Ordered,* That a committee be appointed to inquire if any, and what alterations are necessary in the law respecting persons retailing Spirits and other liquors without licence, and report by bill or otherwise. Messrs Corwin, Falkenburge, and A. Pierson, were accordingly appointed.

A message from Council by Mr Beatty their Secretary, informed the House, that Council have disagreed to the bill entitled A Supplement to an act, entitled An act concerning Justices of the Peace, and Courts of General Quarter Sessions.

A message from Council by Mr Beatty their Secretary, informed this House, that Council has passed a Bill entitled An act respecting Clerks in Chancery, and requested the concurrence of this House thereto; which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

The House adjourned to three o'clock this afternoon.

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'Three o'clock afternoon....The House met.

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A petition was presented from John Chetwood and John Blanchard, Esquires, trustees of Jonathan Hampton, deceased, praying leave to decline acting any further in the premises; and that Matthias H. Williamson, Esquire, be appointed in their stead; which was read and committed to Messrs Darby, VanDuyn, and R. Smith.

Mr Ogden, agreeably to leave given last fitting of the Legislature, presented a bill entitled An act to incorporate into a separate township, a part of the townships of Han-

ver and Morris, in the county of Morris, by the name of the Township of Chatham; which was read, and the further consideration thereof postponed.

The bill entitled An act for facilitating the communication from the Hudson River, through Newark, Elizabeth-town, Brunswick, Princeton, and Trenton, to the River Delaware, agreeably to the order of the day, was called up, and ordered to be committed to Messrs W. Coxe, Stout, Dunn, Beatty, and Runyan.

The petition from a number of inhabitants of the county of Cape-May, praying that Commissioners may be appointed to lay out a certain road therein mentioned, was read the second time and committed to Messrs Falkenburge, Stockton, and R. Smith.

The bill making provision for setting off a separate township from the townships of Hanover and Morris, in the county of Morris, to be known by the name of the Township of Chatham, was read, and ordered a second reading.

The bill entitled An act for the relief of Thomas Havens, was read a second time and ordered to be engrossed.

The House Adjourned to ten o'clock to-morrow morning.

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## THURSDAY, February 9.

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Ten o'clock....The House met.

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The committee to whom was committed the petition of Hannah Wood, having examined the said Hannah, and likewise the documents accompanying her petition, are unanimous in the opinion that she, the petitioner ought to have leave to present a bill to answer the prayer of her petition.

By order of the Committee,

JOSEPH COOPER.

Which report was read, and agreed to by the House.

Mr Cooper presented a bill entitled An act to dissolve the marriage contract between Hannah Wood, formerly Hannah Lieullen and Zachariah Wood her husband; which was read and ordered a second reading.

The committee to whom was referred the petition of Henry Perine, beg leave to report,

That the petitioner have leave to withdraw his papers.

By order of the Committee,

FREDERICK FRELINGHUYSEN.

Which report was read, and agreed to by the House.

The engrossed bill entitled An act for the relief of Thomas Havens, was read a third time and compared.

On the question shall this bill pass?

It was carried in the affirmative as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs Blanch,	Messrs Linn,
Beatty,	Newell,
Burroughs,	Ogden,
W. Coxe,	W. Pearson,
Cooper,	A. Pierson,
Corwin,	Ryerson,
Day,	Risley,
Dacby,	Ray,
Falkenburge,	Runyan,
Godwin,	Scudder,
Hankinson,	Stockton,
Howell,	M. Smith,
Johnson,	Stout,
Knott,	Shaver,
Kitchell,	Voorhees.
Lacey,	

NAYS.

Messrs Dunn,	Messrs M'Eowen,
Frelinghuyzen,	R. Smith,
Haas,	VanDuyw.
Kipp,	

*Ordered,* That the Speaker do sign the said bill.

The engrossed bill entitled An act to enable Gertrude Senf, an alien, to take and hold to her own use, the house and lot of ground therein mentioned, was read a third time.

On the question, Shall this bill pass?

It was carried unanimously in the affirmative.

*Ordered,* That the Speaker do sign the said bill.

*Ordered,* That the Clerk do carry the said bills to Council, inform them that they have been passed by this House, and request their concurrence therein.

Mr A. Pierson presented a bill entitled An act to authorize the erecting a draw or hoist in the Bridge over Dividing-Creek, in the county of Cumberland; which was read and ordered a second reading.

A petition from the Rector, Wardens, and Vestry-men of St. John's Church in Elizabeth Town, praying leave to raise a certain sum of money by Lottery for the purpose of repairing certain injuries the Church received during the revolutionary war, was read and committed to Messrs Stout, Ogden, and Howell.

Mr Day, agreeably to leave given at the late sitting, presented a bill entitled An act to authorize Commissioners to build a bridge over Elizabeth-Town Creek, in the county of Essex; which was read, and, with sundry petitions for and against it, committed to Messrs Ryerson, Johnson, and Corwin.

Agreeably to the order of the day, the House went into a committee of the whole, Mr Beatty in the Chair, on the bill entitled An act for the gradual Abolition of Slavery; when, after some time spent thereon, the committee rose, reported progress, and asked and obtained leave to sit again this afternoon.

The House adjourned to three o'clock this afternoon.

Three o'clock afternoon.... The House met.

Mr Falkenburge from the committee on that subject, reported a bill entitled A Supplement to an act entitled An act to authorize Commissioners to build a Bridge over the north and south branches of Dennis's-Creek, in the county of Cape-May, &c. which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

The committee appointed on the petition of John Chetwood and others, report,

That they have examined the laws referred to in said petition and find them as therein stated, and are of opinion that leave ought to be given to present a bill agreeably to the prayer of the petitioners.

By order of the Committee,

EZRA DARBY.

Which report was read and agreed to by the House.

Mr Darby presented a bill entitled An act supplementary to the act entitled A supplement to an act entitled An act for enabling Trustees to sell and dispose of the real estate of Jonathan Hampton, late of Elizabeth-Town in the county of Essex; Esquire, deceased, for the uses and purposes mentioned therein ; which bill was read, and ordered a second reading.

The bill entitled An act to incorporate into a township a part of the townships of Hanover and Morris in the county of Morris, by the name of the Township of Chatham, was read a second time, debated upon, and ordered to be dismissed.

*Resolved*, That a committee be appointed to examine whether any, and what alterations are necessary in the act, constituting courts for the trial of small causes in the several counties in this State ; and also the act extending the jurisdiction of Justices of the Peace, from sixty to one hundred dollars ; and report by bill or otherwise.

*Ordered*, That the above resolution be referred to the committee already appointed on the memorial of Thomas Henderson, Esq.

*Ordered,* That the order of the day on the bill for the gradual Abolition of Slavery, be postponed till to-morrow morning.

The bill entitled An act for the sale of the real estate of Gilbert Molleson, deceased, was read a second time, considered by sections, and ordered to be engrossed.

The bill entitled An act to authorize the erecting a bridge over Berry's-Creek in the county of Bergen, was read a second time, considered by sections, and ordered to be engrossed.

The House adjourned to ten o'clock to-morrow morning.

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## FRIDAY, February 10.

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Ten o'clock....The House met.

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Mr Beatty presented a bill entitled An act to erect and establish a Banking and Insurance Company in the town of Newark; which was read, and ordered a second reading, together with the bill before the House on the same subject at the late sitting, and the accompanying papers.

A message from Council by Mr Beatty their Secretary informed the House, that Council had passed the bill entitled An act to incorporate parts of the townships of Roxbury and Pequanack in the county of Morris into a separate township, to be called the township of Jefferson, with sundry amendments, to which amendments they request the concurrence of this House.

The said amendments being read, were agreed to by the House, and the bill and amendments ordered to be engrossed.

The committee to whom was referred the petition of John Bray, Executor of the last will and testament of Thomas Jones deceased, beg leave to report,

That said Thomas Jones, after making his last will and testament, contracted with Jacob Nitzer, George Coven-hoven, and William Hoffman, for the sale of certain lands in the township of Lebanon, and county of Hunterdon, as by articles of agreement that have been shewn to your committee under the hands and seals of the parties do fully appear; and it being represented that at the time of the death of the said Thomas Jones, deeds of conveyance for the lands thus sold were not executed, your committee are therefore of opinion, that the Executor as aforesaid ought to have leave to present a bill agreeably to the prayer of his petition.

By order of the Committee,

WILLIAM M'EOWEN.

Which report was read and agreed to by the House.

Mr M'Eowen presented a bill entitled An act to authorize John Bray, executor of Thomas Jones, deceased, to fulfil certain contracts for the conveyance of lands made by said deceased with Jacob Nitzer, George Covenhoven, and William Hoffman; which was read, and ordered a second reading.

Mr Beatty, agreeably to leave given at the late sitting, presented a bill entitled An act to enable Timothy Brewster to erect, keep up, and maintain a Mill-Dam across Woodbridge-Creek at a place called Long-Reach; which was read, and, with sundry petitions for and against it, committed to Messrs Van Duyn, Ogden, Haas, Shaver, and Voorhees.

The House went into committee of the whole, Colonel Beatty in the Chair, on the bill entitled An act for the gradual Abolition of Slavery; when, after some time employed thereon, the committee rose, reported progress, and asked and obtained leave to sit again this afternoon; and a new section offered thereto ordered meanwhile to be printed.

The House adjourned to three o'clock this afternoon.

Three o'clock afternoon....The House met.

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The bill entitled An act supplementary to the act entitled A supplement to an act entitled An act for enabling Trustees to sell and dispose of the real estate of Jonathan Hampton late of Elizabeth-Town, in the county of Essex, Esquire, deceased, for the uses and purposes mentioned therein, was read a second time, considered by sections, and ordered to be engrossed.

The House went into a committe of the whole, Colonel Beatty in the Chair, on the bill entitled An act for the gradual Abolition of Slavery; and after having gone through the same, the committee rose, and reported the bill as amended to the House; which was read and committed to Messrs W. Coxe, Day, and Johnson.

Mr W. Coxe, from the committee on that subject, reported a bill entitled An act for facilitating the communication from the Hudson River opposite to the City of New-York, through Newark, Elizabeth-Town, Woodbridge, New-Brunswick, Princeton, Maidenhead, and Trenton to the River Delaware; which was read, and ordered to be printed for the use of the Members.

The bill entitled An act to build a Toll-Bridge over Rahway River, and for other purposes therein mentioned, was called up, read, and ordered a second reading.

The House adjourned to ten o'clock to-morrow morning.

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SATURDAY, February 11.

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Ten o'clock....The House met.

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The committee to whom were referred the petition of John Matthews and others, praying that a law may pass authorizing said Matthews to convey part of the waters of

Buck-Shooten Creek, in the county of Cumberland, by a Canal through lands of Wingfiel Claypoole and others to his Grift-Mill, beg leave to report,

That your Committee are of opinion the said petitioner ought to have leave to present a bill on the second Wednesday of the next fitting of the Legislature, he previously advertising a copy of this order for three weeks in the Trenton True American, and three of the most public places in the neighborhood of his said mill.

By order of the Committee,

ROBERT SMITH.

Which report was read, and agreed to by the House.

Mr W. Coxe from the committee on that subject, reported a bill entitled An act for the gradual Abolition of Slavery; which was read, considered by sections, and ordered to be engrossed.

The committee to whom was referred the petition of a number of inhabitants of Elizabeth-Town, praying the Legislature to empower them by law to make a lottery to repair their Church; Also a petition from a number of the inhabitants of the counties of Morris and Essex, praying for a lottery to enable them to repair the road known by the name of the Pine-Brook Road, report,

That your committee are of opinion that the laws of New-Jersey are founded on a wise and just policy in prohibiting lotteries and deeming them public nuisances.— Your committee beg leave further to represent, that in case the Legislature should grant a lottery in one or more instances, the applications would probably be very numerous, each one claiming and equally meriting the patronage of the Legislature, in which case great inconvenience would arise in various ways to individuals and to the citizens at large. Your committee are therefore unanimous of opinion that the prayer of the said petitions ought not to be granted.

By order of the committee,

NATHAN STOUT.

Which report was read, and agreed to by the House.

The committee to whom was referred the bill entitled An act to authorize Commissioners to build a Bridge over Elizabeth-Town Creek, in the county of Essex, report,

That having examined the parties for and against the erecting the aforesaid Bridge, together with the maps, affidavits and documents laid before us; are of the opinion that the bill ought to be dismissed.

By order of the Committee,

MARTIN RYERSON.

Which report was read, and agreed to by the House.

The engrossed bill entitled An act to authorize the erecting a Bridge over Berry's-Creek in the county of Bergen, was read a third time and compared.

On the question, Shall this bill pass?

It was carried unanimously in the affirmative.

*Ordered*, That the Speaker do sign said bill.

The re-engrossed bill entitled An act to incorporate part of the townships of Roxbury and Pequanack in the county of Morris, into a separate township, to be called the township of Jefferson, was read and compared.

On the question, Shall this re-engrossed bill pass?

It was carried unanimously in the affirmative.

*Ordered*, That the Speaker do sign said bill.

The engrossed bill entitled An act to carry into effect the true intent and meaning of the last Will and Testament of Gilbert Molleson, deceased, was read a third time and compared.

On the question, Shall this bill pass?

It was carried unanimously in the affirmative.

*Ordered,* That the Speaker do sign said bill.

The engrossed bill entitled An act for the gradual Abolition of Slavery, was read a third time.

On the question, Shall this bill pass?

It was carried in the affirmative as follows : viz.

YEAS.

Messrs Beatty,	Messrs Lacey,
Burroughs,	Linn,
J. Cox, <i>Speaker,</i>	M'Eowen,
W. Coxe,	Newell,
Cooper,	Ogden,
Corwin,	W. Pearson,
Day,	A. Pierson,
Darby,	Risley,
Dunn,	Ray,
Frelinghuysen,	Runyan,
Falkenburge,	Seudder,
Godwin,	Stockton,
Hankinson,	M. Smith,
Howell,	R. Smith,
Johnson,	Stout,
Knott,	Shaver,
Kitchell,	Voorhees.

NAYS.

Messrs Haas,	Messrs Ryerson,
Kipp,	VanDuyne.

*Ordered,* That the Speaker do sign said bill.

*Ordered,* That the Clerk do carry the said bills to Council, inform them that they have been passed by this House, and request their concurrence therein.

A message from Council by Mr Beatty their Secretary, informed this House, that Council had passed the bill entitled An act for the relief of Thomas Havens, and the bill entitled An act to enable Gertrude Senf, an alien, to take

and hold to her own use, the house and lot of ground therein mentioned ; without amendment.

The bill entitled An act to erect and establish a Banking and Insurance Company in the town of Newark, was called up, and committed to Messrs Darby, Kitchell, and M<sup>c</sup>-Eowen.

The bill entitled An act for facilitating the communication from Morristown in the county of Morris, through Dover, Mount-Pleasant, and from thence to Sparta in the county of Sussex, was read a second time, gone into by sections, and after some time employed thereon,

*Ordered*, That the further consideration of this bill be postponed.

A petition from Sarah Newell and John Imlay, praying a law to authorize the fulfilment of a certain contract made between Elisha Newell, deceased, and the said John Imlay, was read and committed to Messrs Knott, W. Pearson, and Ray.

Sundry petitions from a great number of the inhabitants of this State, praying a law to incorporate a company to open an inland navigation from the River Delaware near Trenton, to the River Raritan, near New-Brunswick, were read, and committed to Messrs Frelinghuysen, Beatty, Blanch, M. Smith, and Hankinson.

A petition of Joseph Chamberlain and Ezekiel Holmes, administrators of the estate of the Rev. John Hanna, deceased, praying a law to authorize some person or persons to fulfil a certain contract therein mentioned, was read, and committed to Messrs Hass, Newell, and Ogden.

The House adjourned to three o'clock on Monday afternoon.

MONDAY, February 13.

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Three o'clock, afternoon...The House met.

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Mr Darby, from the committee on that subject, reported a bill entitled An act to erect and establish a Banking and Insurance Company in the Town of Newark;

*Ordered*, That the further consideration of this bill be postponed.

The committee to whom was referred the petitions of Timothy Brewster and Ichabod Potter, respecting the erecting of dams and grist-mills, on Woodbridge and Heard's Creek, report,

That they have examined their petitions and the parties respecting the same, and are of opinion that the prayer of Ichabod Potter's petition ought to be granted.

By order of the Committee,

JAMES VANDUYN.

Which report was read, and agreed to by the House.

Mr VanDuyne also reported an amendment to the bill to enable Timothy Brewster to erect a mill-dam over Woodbridge-Creek; which was read, and the further consideration of the bill postponed.

Mr Blanch presented a bill entitled An act to authorize the owners and possessors of a certain tract of meadow therein named to prevent Horses, Cattle, and Sheep, from running at large therein; which was read and ordered a second reading.

The Clerk presented to the House a letter received by him from the Clerk of the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, enclosing a law which had passed the Legislature and been approved by the Governor of that Commonwealth, entitled An act to regulate the

fisheries in the River Delaware and its branches, and for other purposes ; which letter and law were read, and referred to the committee already appointed on that subject.

Messrs Stout and Linn were added to the committee on the subject of fisheries ; to which committee all petitions on that subject were ordered to be referred.

A petition from the owners and proprietors of the Land-Gully fishery, was read, and referred as aforesaid.

A message from Council by Mr Beatty their Secretary, informed the House, that Council had passed the bill entitled An act to vest in the inhabitants of the township of Newark in the county of Essex, a certain estate, now in the hands of trustees ; which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

A message from Council by Mr Beatty their Secretary, informed the House that Council had passed the bill entitled An act to authorize the erecting a bridge over Berry's Creek, in the county of Bergen, without amendment.

A message from Council by Mr Beatty their Secretary, informed the House, that Council had passed the bill entitled An act to carry into effect the true intent and meaning of the last will and testament of Gilbert Molleson, deceased, with an amendment ; to which amendment they requested the concurrence of this House.

The said amendment being read, was agreed to by this House, and the bill as amended ordered to be re-engrossed.

The bill entitled An act vesting in John Clark, of the town of Paterson, in this State, and others, an exclusive right of constructing and using certain Machines for carding Sheep's wool in this State for a limited time, was called up, ordered to be dismissed, and the papers relative thereto directed to be filed.

The bill entitled An act to erect and establish a Banking and Insurance Company in the town of Newark ; was read a second time, gone into by section, and after some time employed thereon,

The House adjourned to ten o'clock to-morrow morning.

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**TUESDAY, February 14.**

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Ten o'clock...The House met.

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Sundry petitions concerning the fisheries on the River Delaware, were read and referred to the committee appointed on that subject.

A letter from the Secretary of State of this State, together with a statement of the proceeds and expenditures of his office for the year past, were read and committed to Messrs Kitchell, Lacey, and Risley.

The re-engrossed bill entitled An act to carry into effect the true intent and meaning of the last will and testament of Gilbert Molleson, deceased, was read a third time and compared.

On the question, Shall this bill pass?

It was carried unanimously in the affirmative.

*Ordered*, That the Speaker do sign said bill.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry said bill to Council, and inform them that it has been passed by this House with their amendment.

The House resumed the consideration of the bill entitled An act to erect and establish a Banking and Insurance Company in the Town of Newark; which was gone through by sections, and ordered to be engrossed.

The bill entitled An act to enable Timothy Brewster to erect, keep up, and maintain a Mill-Dam across Woodbridge-Creek at a place called the Long-Reach; was read a second time, considered by sections, and ordered to be engrossed.

The bill entitled An act respecting Clerks in Chancery, was called up, and committed to Messrs A. Pierson, M<sup>r</sup>. Eowen, and Ryerson.

The bill entitled An act to vest in the inhabitants of the township of Newark in the county of Essex, a certain estate now in the hands of trustees, was read a second time, and committed to Messrs Cooper, Day, and Runyan.

The House adjourned to three o'clock this afternoon.

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Three o'clock afternoon....The House met.

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*Resolved*, That the order of the day on the amendment to the Constitution be postponed to Tuesday morning next.

The engrossed bill entitled An act to enable Timothy Brewster to erect, keep up, and maintain a Mill-Dam across Woodbridge-Creek, at a place called the Long-Reach, was read a third time and compared.

On the question, Shall this bill pass?

It was carried unanimously in the affirmative.

*Ordered*, That the Speaker do sign said bill.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry the said bill to Council, inform them that it has been passed by this House, and request their concurrence therein.

The bill entitled An act to build a Toll-Bridge over Rahway River, and for other purposes therein mentioned, was read a second time, considered by sections, and the further consideration thereof postponed.

The bill entitled An act to divorce Hannah Burnet, was read a second time, considered, and ordered to be engrossed.

*Resolved*, That this House will in future, during the present sitting, convene at half-past nine o'clock in the morning.

The House adjourned to half past nine o'clock to-morrow morning.

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## WEDNESDAY, *February 15.*

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Half-past nine o'clock... The House met.

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The bill entitled An act for facilitating the communication from the Hudson River, opposite to the City of New-York, through Newark, Elizabeth-Town, Woodbridge, New-Brunswick, Princeton, Maidenhead, and Trenton, to the River Delaware, was called up, read a second time, and ordered to be postponed to the next session of the Legislature.

A message from Council by Mr Beatty their Secretary, informed the House, that Council had passed the bill entitled An act for the gradual Abolition of Slavery without amendment.

The committee to whom was committed the bill entitled An act to vest in the inhabitants of the township of Newark, in the county of Essex, a certain estate now in the hands of trustees, report,

That having examined the bill and heard the parties, they report the bill in its original form.

By order of the Committee,

JOSEPH COOPER.

Which report was read, and the bill referred to therein, read a second time, considered by sections, and ordered a third reading.

A petition from sundry inhabitants of the county of Burlington, praying that the tax on Dogs may be raised, and the proceeds thereof form a fund for indemnifying those whose Sheep are destroyed by dogs, was read and committed to Messrs Godwin, Burroughs, and Kipp.

The bill entitled An act supplementary to the act entitled A supplement to an act entitled An act for enabling Trustees to sell and dispose of the real estate of Jonathan Hampton, late of Elizabeth-Town in the county of Essex, Esquire, deceased, for the uses and purposes therein mentioned, was read a third time and compared.

On the question shall this bill pass?

It was carried in the affirmative as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs Blanch,	Messrs Linn,
Beatty,	M' Eowen,
Burroughs,	Newell,
W. Coxe,	Ogden,
Corwin,	W. Pearson,
Day,	A. Pierson,
Dacby,	Ryerson,
Frelinghuysen,	Risley,
Falkenburge,	Ray,
Godwin,	Ruayan,
Hankinson,	Scudder,
Haas,	Stockton,
Howell,	M. Smith,
Johnson,	R. Smith,
Kipp,	Shaver,
Knott,	Voorhees,
Kitchell,	VanDuyne,
Lacey,	

NAYS.

Messrs Cooper,	Mr Stout,
Dunn,	

*Ordered*, That the Speaker do sign the said bill.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry the said bill to Council, inform them that it has been passed by this House, and request their concurrence therein.

The House resumed the consideration of the bill entitled An act to build a Toll-Bridge over Rahway River, and for

other purposes therein mentioned, and having gone through the same, the bill was ordered to be engrossed.

The following Resolution was adopted by the House :

Whereas the multiplicity of business and other considerations have induced this House to agree to postpone the consideration of the resolution of Congress, proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States, until Tuesday the 21st instant; and as Council will require time to deliberate upon a question of so much importance to the State,

Therefore, *Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry to Council the aforesaid amendment, in order, if the business of Council will admit, and they may deem it proper, that they may first assume the consideration of the expediency or inexpediency of ratifying, on the part of this State, the proposed amendment.

A petition praying the Legislature to pass a law incorporating a Company for opening an inland navigation between the River Delaware near Trenton, and the River Raritan near New-Brunswick, was presented, and referred to the committee on that subject.

The House adjourned to three o'clock in the afternoon.

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Three o'clock afternoon....The House met.

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Sundry petitions from inhabitants of Great-Egg-Harbor and Gallaway in the county of Gloucester, praying some alterations in the law respecting the taking of Oysters, were read, and dismissed.

A petition from Dr. Jeremiah Woolsey, praying an allowance for certain services rendered by him as attending Physician to the State-Prison, was read and referred to the committee on the subject of the State-Prison.

The bill entitled An act to vest in the inhabitants of the township of Newark, in the county of Essex, a certain estate now in the hands of Trustees, was read a third time.

On the question, Shall this bill pass?

It was carried unanimously in the affirmative.

*Ordered*, That the Speaker do sign the same.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do inform Council that the said bill is passed by this House without amendment.

The bill entitled An act to build a Toll Bridge over Rahway River, and for other purposes therein mentioned, was read a third time and compared.

On the question, Shall this bill pass?

It was carried in the affirmative as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs Blanch,	Messrs Lacey,
Beatty,	Linn,
Burroughs,	M'Eowen,
W. Coxe,	Newell,
Cooper,	Ogden,
Corwin,	W. Pearson,
Day,	A. Pierson,
Darby,	Ryerson,
Dunn,	Riley,
Frelinghuysen,	Runyan,
Falkenburge,	Scudder,
Godwin,	Stockton,
Hankinson,	M. Smith,
Haas,	R. Smith,
Howell,	Stout,
Johnson,	Shaver,
Kipp,	Voorhees,
Knott,	VanDuyn.
Kitchell,	

NAY.

Mr Ray.

*Ordered*, That the Speaker do sign said bill.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry said bill to Council, inform them that it has been passed by this House, and request their concurrence thereto.

A message from Council by Mr Beatty their Secretary, informed the House, that Council had passed the bill entitled An act to enable Timothy Brewster to erect, keep up, and maintain a mill-dam across Woodbridge-Creek at a place called the Long-reach, and for other purposes therein mentioned, without amendment; also that Council had passed a bill entitled An act to repeal part of the act entitled An act to alter and amend the act entitled An act to authorize the Governor of this State to incorporate a Company for erecting a Bridge over the River Delaware at or near Trenton, passed the 26th day of February 1801, and to revive the several parts of the act therein altered or repealed; and the bill entitled An act to alter and repeal part of an act entitled An act for laying out, opening, and improving certain roads in the counties of Cumberland, Salem, Gloucester, and Burlington, in this State; to which bills they request the concurrence of this House; which bills were severally read and ordered a second reading.

The bill entitled An act to erect and establish a Banking and Insurance Company in the town of Newark, was read a third time and compared.

On the question, Shall this bill pass?

It was carried in the affirmative as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs Blanch,  
Beatty,  
W. Coxe,  
Cooper,  
Corwin,  
Day,  
Darby,  
Dunn,  
Frelinghuysen,

Messrs Kitchell,  
Lacey,  
Linn,  
Newell,  
Ogden,  
W. Pearson,  
A. Pierson,  
Ryerson,  
Risley,

## YEAS.

Messrs Falkenburge,  
Godwin,  
Haas,  
Howell,  
Johnson,  
Kipp,  
Knott,

Messrs Ray,  
Runyan,  
Scudder,  
Stockton,  
R. Smith,  
Shaver,  
Voorhees.

## NAYS.

Messrs Burroughs,  
Hankinson,  
M'Eowen,

Messrs M. Smith,  
Stout,  
VanDuyn.

*Ordered*, That the Speaker do sign the same.

The bill entitled An act to divorce Hannah Burnet, was  
read a third time and compared.

On the question, Shall this bill pass?

It was carried in the affirmative as follows:

## YEAS.

Messrs Blanch,  
Beatty,  
Burroughs,  
Cooper,  
Corwin,  
Day,  
Frelinghuyzen,  
Falkenburge,  
Godwin,  
Haas,  
Howell,  
Johnson,  
Kipp,  
Knott,  
Kitchell,

Messrs Lacey,  
Linn,  
Newell,  
Ogden,  
W. Pearson,  
A. Pierson,  
Risley,  
Ray,  
Runyan,  
Scudder,  
Stockton,  
M. Smith,  
R. Smith,  
Voorhees.

## NAYS.

Messrs W. Coxe,  
Darby,  
Dunn,  
Hankinson,

Messrs M'Eowen,  
Ryerson,  
Stout,  
VanDuyne.

*Ordered*, That the Speaker do sign the same.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry the said bills to Council, inform them that they are passed by this House, and request their concurrence thereto.

A petition from a number of proprietors of fishing-places on the River Delaware, and others, respecting the said fisheries, was read and referred to the committee on that subject.

A petition from a number of inhabitants of the counties of Somerset and Essex, praying for a certain alteration in the boundary lines of laid counties, was read and committed to Messrs W. Coxe, Corwin, and Knott.

*Ordered*, That the following be added to the Standing Rules of this House :

'That on the order for the second reading of every private bill, the applicants, at their own expence, present the usual number of printed copies for the use of the members, unless the same be dispensed with by order of the House.

A petition from a number of inhabitants of Sussex county, praying a law directing the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the several counties of this State, to publish their proceedings annually, was read, and committed to Messrs Johnson, Voorhees, and Newell.

Mr Knott presented a bill entitled A supplement to an act entitled An act for incorporating the Chosen Freeholders in the respective counties of this State ; which was read, and referred to the committee just appointed on the subject of Freeholders.

The House adjourned to half-past nine o'clock to-morrow morning.

THURSDAY, February 16.

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Half-past nine o'clock....The House met.

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The committee to whom was referred the petitions from the counties of Monmouth, Gloucester, and Burlington, praying for an alteration in the law for the preservation of timber, report,

That your committee have had the subject under consideration, and are of opinion that it is not expedient to make any further provision respecting the same.

By order of the Committee,

JOHN LINN.

Which report was read, and agreed to by the House.

The bill entitled An act for facilitating the communication from Morristown in the county of Morris through Dover, Mount-Pleasant, and from thence to Sparta in the county of Sussex, was read a second time, gone into by sections ; and after some time spent thereon,

The House adjourned to three o'clock in the afternoon.

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Three o'clock afternoon....The House met.

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The committee to whom was referred the petitions of sundry inhabitants of the counties of Somerset and Essex, praying a law to set off a part of the former and to annex it to the latter county, report,

That in the opinion of the committee it is not expedient to alter the ancient boundaries of counties, unless the measure should appear to be the general wish of the inhabitants in the vicinity, or be justified by some public and evident benefit ; that in the present case neither of these considerations appear to operate in favour of the petition. The

number of petitioners is not more than forty; of these several are inhabitants of Essex county; that if a change of the boundary line should be thought necessary, the proposed alteration does not appear sufficiently extensive or correct to remedy the inconveniences complained of. The committee therefore recommend that the petition be dismissed.

By the unanimous order of the Committee,

WILLIAM COXE.

Which report was read and agreed to by the House.

A petition from Frederick Bowne and Philip Bowne, praying a law to authorize the Treasurer to pay a certain sum of money due to them from the State, was read and committed to Messrs R. Smith, Stockton, and Blanch.

The bill entitled An act to repeal part of the act entitled An act to alter and amend the act entitled An act to authorize the Governer of this State to incorporate a Company for erecting a Bridge over the River Delaware at or near Trenton, passed the 26th day of February 1801, and to revive the several parts of the act therein altered or repealed, was read a second time, considered by sections, and ordered a third reading.

The bill entitled An act to authorize the owners and possessors of a certain tract of meadow therein named to prevent Horses, Cattle, and Sheep from running at large therein, was called up, and committed to Messrs W. Pearson, M. Smith, and Kipp.

The bill entitled An act to authorize John Bray, Executor of Thomas Jones, deceased, to fulfil certain contracts for the conveyance of lands made by said deceased with Jacob Nitzer, George Covenhoven, and William Hoffman, was read a second time, considered by section, and ordered to be engrossed.

The House resumed the consideration of the bill entitled An act for facilitating the communication from Morristown in the county of Morris, through Dover, Mount-Pleasant,

and from thence to Sparta, in the county of Sussex; and after having gone through the same, ordered it to be engrossed.

The committee to whom was referred the petitions of sundry inhabitants of the State of New-Jersey, praying for an act to incorporate certain persons for the purpose of opening a communication by water from the tide-water of the River Delaware at Lamberton, to the tide-water of the River Raritan near New-Brunswick, beg leave to report,

That your committee are unanimously of opinion that the petitioners have leave to present a bill to answer the prayer of their petition, on the first Thursday of the next sitting of the Legislature, they advertising their intention, and the general purport of the bill which they mean to present in the Newspapers printed at New-Brunswick and Trenton, at least five weeks successively, before the next meeting of the Legislature.

By order of the committee,

FREDERICK FRELINGHUYSEN.

Which report was read, and agreed to by the House.

A petition from sundry inhabitants of the townships of Gallaway and Egg-Harbor, in the county of Gloucester, praying for a law to authorize the building of a Bridge across Nacote Creek, was read and ordered a second reading.

A petition from John Loder, of Sussex county, praying the Legislature to pass a law to render Justices of the Peace liable to damages for making improper entries in their dockets, and also to establish Free Schools in this State, was read, and referred to the committee on the subject of Justices of the Peace.

Mr W. Coxe presented a bill entitled A supplement to the act entitled An act constituting Courts for the trial of small causes, passed the 15th of March, 1798; which was read and referred to the committee on that subject.

The bill entitled An act to alter and repeal part of an act entitled An act for laying out, opening, and improving certain roads in the counties of Cumberland, Salem, Gloucester, and Burlington, in this State, was read a second time, and committed to Messrs R. Smith, Hankinson, and Howell.

The House adjourned to half-past nine o'clock to-morrow morning.

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**FRIDAY, February 17.**

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Half-past nine o'clock.... The House met.

Sundry petitions from inhabitants of the town of Newark against the bill authorizing a Turnpike Road through this State, were read and postponed to the next sitting of the Legislature.

The re-engrossed bill entitled An act to authorize John Bray, executor of Thomas Jones deceased, to fulfil certain contracts for the conveyance of lands made by said deceased with Jacob Nitzer, George Covenhoven, and William Hoffinan, was read a third time and compared.

On the question, Shall this bill pass?

It was carried unanimously in the affirmative.

*Ordered*, That the Speaker do sign said bill.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry said bill to Council, and inform them that it has been passed by this House, with the amendments made thereto by Council.

Mr Godwin, from the committee on the petition from sundry inhabitants of the county of Burlington, praying for an increase of the tax on Dogs, and for other purposes therein mentioned, reported that in their opinion no alteration or amendment is necessary to be made in the law on that subject; which report was read, and ordered a second reading.

The bill entitled A supplement to an act entitled An act to authorize Commissioners to build a Bridge over the north and south branches of Dennis's Creek, in the county of Cape-May, and to lay out a public road from Thomas Leaming's ship-yard, and for other purposes therein mentioned, passed November 11th, 1789, was read a second time, and postponed.

A message from Council by Mr Beatty their Secretary, informed the House that Council had passed the bill intitled An act to build a Toll-Bridge over Rahway River, and for other purposes therein mentioned, with sundry amendments; to which amendments they request the concurrence of this House; which amendments were read, and ordered a second reading with the bill.

The committee to whom were referred the petition and papers of Frederick and Philip Bowne, of the county of Monmouth, report,

That the petitioners have leave to withdraw the same.

By order of the Committee,

ROBERT SMITH.

Which report was read, and agreed to by the House.

Mr Darby presented a bill entitled An act for facilitating the communication from the Hudson River, opposite the City of New-York, to the Eastern abutment of the Bridge on Passaic River; which was read and ordered a second reading.

The bill entitled An act to build a Toll-Bridge over Rahway River, and for other purposes therein mentioned, with the amendments made thereto by Council, was read a second time, the amendments agreed to, and the bill as amended ordered to be re engrossed.

The bill entitled An act to repeal part of the act entitled An act to alter and amend the act entitled An act to authorize the Governer of this State to incorporate a Company for erecting a Bridge over the River Delaware at or

near Trenton, passed the 26th day of February 1801, and to revive the several parts of the act therein altered or repealed, was read a third time.

On the question, Shall this bill pass?

It was carried in the affirmative as follows : viz.

**YEAS.**

Messrs Blanch,  
Beatty,  
Burroughs,  
W. Coxe,  
Day,  
Darby,  
Frelinghuyzen,  
Falkenburge,  
Gedwin,  
Hankinson,  
Haas,  
Howell,  
Kipp,  
Knott,  
Linn,

Messrs M'Eowen,  
Newell,  
Ogden,  
W. Pearson,  
Risley,  
Ray,  
Runyan,  
Seudder,  
Stockton,  
M. Smith,  
R. Smith,  
Shaver,  
Voorhees,  
VanDuyne.

**NAYS.**

Messrs Cooper,  
Corwin,

Mr Johnson.

*Ordered*, That the Speaker do sign the said bill.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do inform Council that said bill has been passed by this House, without amendment.

The House adjourned to three o'clock this afternoon.

Three o'clock afternoon....The House met.

The Speaker received and read to the House a letter from Brigadier General Heard, requesting the Legislature

to make some provision for certain official services by him performed ; which letter was ordered a second reading.

The bill entitled An act for facilitating the communication from Morristown in the county of Morris, through Dover, Mount-Pleasant, and from thence to Sparta in the county of Sussex, was read a third time and compared.

On the question, Shall this bill pass?

It was carried in the affirmative as follows :

### YEAS.

Messrs Beatty,	Messrs M'Eowen,
Burroughs,	Newell,
W. Coxe,	Ogden,
Cooper,	W. Pearson,
Corwin,	Rifley,
Day,	Roy,
Darby,	Ryan,
Frelinghuysen,	Scudder,
Falkenburge,	Stockton,
Godwin,	M. Smith,
Howell,	R. Smith,
Johnson,	Shaver,
Knott,	Voorhees.
Linn,	

### NAYS.

Messrs Blanch,	Messrs Kipp,
Hankinson,	Stout,
Haas,	Van Duyn.

*Ordered*, That the Speaker do sign the said bill.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry said bill to Council, inform them that it has been passed by this House, and request their concurrence therein.

A message from Council by Mr Beatty their Secretary, informed the House, that Council had passed the bill entitled An act supplementary to the act entitled A supplement to an act entitled An act for enabling Trustees to sell and

dispose of the real estate of Jonathan Hampton, late of Elizabeth-town in the county of Essex, Esquire, deceased, for the uses and purposes mentioned therein, without amendment; and that Council had disagreed to the bill entitled An act to divorce Hannah Burnet.

The bill entitled An act to regulate the Shad Fisheries on South-River, in the county of Middlesex, was read a second time, considered by section, and ordered to be engrossed.

The bill entitled An act to dissolve the marriage-contract between Hannah Wood, formerly Hannah Lieuillin, and Zachariah Wood her husband, was read a second time, considered by section, and ordered to be dismissed.

The bill entitled A supplement to an act entitled An act to authorize commissioners to build a bridge over the north and south branches of Dennis's-Creek, in the county of Cape-May, and to lay out a public road from Thomas Leaming's ship-yard, and for other purposes therein mentioned, passed November 11th, 1789, was read a second time, and referred to the committee on the bill entitled An act to alter and repeal part of an act entitled An act for laying out, opening, and improving certain roads in the counties of Cumberland, Salem, Gloucester, and Burlington, in this State.

The re-engrossed bill entitled An act to build a Toll-Bridge over Rahway River, and for other purposes therein mentioned, was read and compared.

On the question, Shall this re-engrossed bill pass?

It was carried unanimously in the affirmative.

*Ordered*, That the Speaker do sign the same.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry the said bill to Council, and inform them that it has been passed by this House, with the amendments made thereto by Council.

The House adjourned to half-past nine o'clock to-morrow morning.

SATURDAY, *February 18.*

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Half-past nine o'clock....The House met.

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A petition from John Voorhees and Benjamin Yard, in behalf of themselves and others, praying some compensation for the expence, trouble, and loss of time sustained in their endeavors to apprehend and bring to justice the robbers of the Treasury of this State, was read and committed to Messrs Cooper, W. Coxe, and Darby.

Sundry petitions from inhabitants of the town of Newark, praying the Legislature to pass the bill now before the House of Assembly, for a Turnpike road from the Hudson River to the Passaic River, were read, and ordered a second reading with the said bill.

A petition from a number of inhabitants of Burlington county, respecting the fisheries on the River Delaware, was read and referred to the committee on that subject.

Mr W. Pearson from the committee on that subject, reported the bill entitled An act to authorize the owners and possessors of a certain tract of meadow therein named to prevent Horses and Cattle, from running at large therein, which was read and postponed.

A petition respecting the fisheries on the River Delaware, was presented, and referred to the committee on that subject.

The committee to whom was referred the petitions of sundry inhabitants of this State, praying a revival of the act relative to the laying out, vacating and altering of roads, after taking the same into consideration, beg leave to report,

They are of opinion the law heretofore has been found adequate for the purpose, and are further of opinion that it would be inexpedient to make any alteration of the same.

By order of the Committee,

NATHAN STOUT.

Which report was read and agreed to by the House.

*Resolved.* That the Clerk be directed to procure for the use of the Legislature, eight copies of Jefferson's Manual, relative to the mode of conducting business in Legislative bodies.

*Ordered,* That the Clerk do carry the foregoing Resolution to Council, and request their concurrence therein.

*Resolved,* That a committee be appointed to report rules for the regulation of the Library belonging to the Legislature, and for the preservation of the books ; also, that they make out a catalogue of the same and cause it to be printed, and that they report what books if any are necessary to be purchased.

*Ordered,* That Messrs W. Coxe, Darby, and Scudder be a committee for the above purpose.

The bill entitled A supplement to the act entitled An act for supporting Ideots and Lunatics and preserving their estates, was read a second time, and committed to Messrs Frelinghuyzen, Linn, and Day.

A message from Council by Mr Beatty their Secretary, informed the House, that Council had passed a bill entitled An act to ratify an amendment of the Constitution of the United States, to which bill they request the concurrence of this House ; also, that Council had passed the bill entitled An act to erect and establish a Banking and Insurance Company in the town of Newark, without amendment ; also, that Council had concurred in the Resolution directing the Clerk of Assembly to procure for the use of the Legislature, eight copies of Jefferson's Manual.

The bill from Council entitled An act to ratify an amendment of the Constitution of the United States, was read, and ordered a second reading on Tuesday morning next, and referred to the committee of the whole House on that subject.

The letter from Brigadier General Heard, requesting some compensation for certain official services rendered by him, was read a second time, and ordered to be dismissed.

The bill entitled An act to dissolve the marriage contract between Susannah Simson, formerly Susannah Hammett, and James Simson, her husband, was read a second time, considered by section, and ordered to be engrossed.

A petition from Abraham Covenhoven, presented and read at the late sitting, was called up, read a second time, and ordered to be dismissed.

The petition from sundry inhabitants of the townships of Gallaway and Egg-Harbor for a law to authorize the building a Bridge over Nacote-Creek, was read a second time, and ordered to be dismissed.

Mr A. Pierson, from the committee on the bill entitled An act respecting Clerks in Chancery, reported the same with sundry amendments; which amendments were read, and ordered a second reading with the bill.

The House adjourned to three o'clock on Monday afternoon.

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MONDAY, *February 20.*

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Three o'clock, afternoon...The House met.

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The committee to whom was referred the letter of the Secretary with regard to compensation, report,

That the Secretary states that the whole amount of the nett proceeds of fees in his office, exclusive of what arises from the Register's office, (which is transferred to the Surrogates,) amounts only to one hundred and thirty three dollars and twenty two cents, that in addition to this he receives fifty dollars per year salary as Auditor, making in the whole one hundred and eighty three dollars and twenty two cents; your committee do not take into the account what is received by him as Clerk of Council, as that appointment is not derived from the State; your committee further report, that there will be some addition of fees

arising from filing wills and inventories, searching of records, copies, &c. but to what amount is uncertain; upon the whole your committee are of opinion that it would be proper to postpone the consideration until the next sitting of the Legislature, when a more accurate statement can be made of the emoluments of said office, of the services required, and of the compensation proper to be made for the present and ensuing year.

By order of the Committee,

AARON KITCHELL.

Which report was read, and ordered a second reading.

The committee to whom was referred the petition of Joseph Chamberlain and Ezekiel Holmes, administrators of the Rev. John Hanna, deceased, report,

That having had the petition and documents accompanying the same under their consideration, are unanimously of opinion that the petitioners ought to have leave given them to present a bill to answer the prayer of their petition.

By order of the Committee,

JOHN HAAS.

Which report being read and agreed to by the House, Mr Haas presented a bill entitled An act to authorize Joseph Chamberlain and Ezekiel Holmes, administrators of the Reverend John Hanna, deceased, to fulfil a contract for the sale of lands made by the deceased with Samuel Arnwine; which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

The committee to whom was referred the memorial of Thomas Henderson, Esquire, one of the Justices of the Peace for the county of Monmouth, together with the petition of John Loder, &c. &c. report,

That they have examined the act entitled An act constituting Courts for the trial of small causes, passed March 15, 1798, and the Supplement thereto, passed November 30th, 1801, and are of opinion no amendment is necessary,

and as to one Magistrate's granting execution on the judgment of another, we deem it improper, and that a new action of debt is the most legal and consistent mode of procedure in such cases.

### JOHN A. SCUDDER.

Which report was read, and ordered a second reading.

A petition from a number of inhabitants of Bergen county praying that a company may be incorporated to make a Turn Pike Road from Paulus-Hook to Newark; was read and ordered a second reading with the bill on that subject.

The engrossed bill entitled An act to dissolve the marriage contract between Susannah Simson, formerly Susannah Hammett, and James Simson her husband, was read a third time and compared.

On the question shall this bill pass?

It was carried in the affirmative as follows:

### YEAS.

Messrs Burroughs,  
W. Coxe,  
Cooper,  
Corwin,  
Haas,  
Howell,  
Johnson,  
Kipp,  
Kitchell,  
Lacey,  
Linn,  
Newell,

Messrs Ogden,  
W. Pearson,  
A. Pierson,  
Risley,  
Ray,  
Runyan,  
Stockton,  
M. Smith,  
R. Smith,  
Shaver,  
Voorhees.

### NAYS.

Messrs Blanch,  
Beatty,  
Day,  
Dacby,  
Dunn,  
Godwin,

Messrs Hankinson,  
Knott,  
M' Ewen,  
Ryerson,  
Scudder.

*Ordered,* That the Speaker do sign said bill.

The engrossed bill entitled An act to regulate the Shad Fisheries on South River, in the county of Middlesex, was read a third time and compared.

On the question, Shall this bill pass?

It was carried in the affirmative as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs Blanch,	Messrs Linn,
Beatty,	M' Eowen,
Burroughs,	Newell,
W. Coxe,	Ogden,
Cooper,	W. Pearson,
Corwin,	A. Pierson,
Dunn,	Ryerson,
Godwin,	Rifley,
Hankinson,	Ray,
Haas,	Runyan,
Howell,	Scudder,
Johnson,	Stockton,
Kipp,	M. Smith,
Knott,	R. Smith,
Kitchell,	Shaver,
Lacey,	Voorhees.

NAYS.

Mr Day,

Mr Darby.

*Ordered,* That the Speaker do sign the same.

*Ordered,* That the Clerk do carry the said bills to Council, inform them that they have been passed by this House, and request their concurrence therein.

Mr Kitchell, from the committee on that subject, reported a bill entitled An act directing the time and mode of electing Representatives of the Ninth Congress, and Electors of the President and Vice-President of the United States on the part of this State; which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

Mr R. Smith, from the committee to whom was referred the bill entitled An act to alter and repeal part of an act entitled An act for laying out, opening, and improving certain roads in the counties of Cumberland, Salem, Gloucester, and Burlington in this State, passed by Council 15th instant; and also the bill entitled A supplement to an act to authorize commissioners to build a bridge over the north and south branches of Dennis's Creek, in the county of Cape-May, and to lay out a public road from Thomas Leaming's ship yard and for other purposes therein mentioned, passed November 11th, 1789,

Reported the first bill with sundry amendments.

Which amendments were read a first and second time, and ordered a third reading with the bill.

A petition from sundry inhabitants of the county of Salem, praying the Legislature to pass a supplement to the law authorizing commissioners to lay out, open, and improve certain roads in the counties of Gloucester, Salem, and Cumberland, in this state, was read and ordered a second reading on the third reading of the above bill.

A message from Council by Mr Beatty their Secretary, informed the House, that Council had passed a bill entitled An act to authorize John Bray, Executor of Thomas Jones, deceased, to fulfil certain contracts for the conveyance of lands made by said deceased with Jacob Nizer, George Covenhoven, and William Hoffman, without amendment.

The House resumed the consideration of the bill entitled An act to authorize the owners and possessors of a certain tract of meadow therein named to prevent Horses and Cattle from running at large theron; and the same having been gone through by sections, was ordered to be referred.

A petition from sundry inhabitants of the counties of Somerset and Middlesex against the contemplated inland navigation from the River Delaware to the River Raritan, was read and ordered a second reading on the first Thursday of next fitting.

The House adjourned to half-past nine o'clock to-morrow morning.

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**TUESDAY, February 21.**

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Half-past nine o'clock... The House met.

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Sundry petitions concerning the fisheries on the Delaware river, were read and referred to the committee on that subject.

A petition from Kenneth Hankinson, of Monmouth county, was read and committed to Messrs Godwin, Burroughs, and Falkenburge.

The bill from Council entitled An act to ratify an amendment of the Constitution of the United States, being read a second time, the House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr Beatty in the Chair, according to the order of the day, on the proposed amendment to the Constitution; and after some time employed thereon, the committee rose, reported progress, and asked leave to sit again.

*Resolved*, That the committee have leave to sit again this afternoon.

The House adjourned to three o'clock in the afternoon.

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Three o'clock afternoon.... The House met.

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The House went into Committee of the whole, Col Beatty in the chair, on the bill entitled An act to ratify an Amendment of the Constitution of the United States; and after going through the same, the committee rose, and reported the bill without amendment.

The house took up the bill as reported, when a motion was made and seconded that the further consideration of the bill be postponed to the next session.

On the question, Shall this bill be so postponed?

The Yeas and Nays were called for and were as follows:

## YEAS.

Messrs Blanch,  
Beatty,  
W. Coxe,  
Dunn,  
Frelinghuyzen,  
Falkenburge,  
Kipp,  
Lacey,

Messrs M'Eowen,  
W. Pearson,  
Ryerson,  
Scudder,  
Stockton,  
Voorhees,  
VanDuyne.

## NAYS.

Messrs Burroughs,  
Cooper,  
Corwin,  
Day,  
Darby,  
Godwin,  
Hankinson,  
Haas,  
Howell,  
Johnson,  
Knott,

Messrs Kitchell,  
Linn,  
Newell,  
Ogden,  
A. Pierson,  
Riley,  
Ray,  
Runyan,  
M. Smith,  
R. Smith,  
Shaver.

The motion for postponement being negatived, the bill was read a second time, and ordered a third reading.

The House adjourned to half past nine o'clock to-morrow morning.

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WEDNESDAY, *February 22.*


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Half-past nine o'clock... The House met.

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The committee appointed to enquire into the regulations of the State Prison, also to take into consideration the petition of Doctor Jeremiah Woolsey, praying a compensation for extra service, report,

That they have visited the Prison, stated certain queries to the Inspectors and received their answers, which do-

cuments we present to the House; from examining said papers, are of opinion the business is conducted with propriety.

The committee likewise report, that after examining the petition of Doctor Jeremiah Woolsey, and the documents attending the same, are of opinion that no farther allowance ought to be granted said petitioner for past service.

By order of the Committee,

ISRAEL DAY.

Which report was read, and agreed to by the House; and the following Documents accompanying the same, ordered to be printed with the Report in the Minutes of this House.

*To the Queries proposed by a Committee of the Legislature on Monday February 13th, 1804, The Keeper, and Inspectors of the State-Prison, give the following answers, viz.*

*Query 1. How many Keepers, and their salaries?*

*Answer.* 1 Principal Keeper, salary, dolls. 600 per. ann.

1 Clerk,	.	400	do.
1 Assistant Keeper,	.	350	do.
1 Do.	.	350	do.
1 Do.	.	250	do.
1 Do.	.	200	do.

*Query 2. What number of Prisoners generally?*

*Answer.* Sixty-nine.

*Query 3. How many employed, and at what?*

*Answer.* Cutting Nails, 10.

Heading Nails, 23.

Making Wrought Nails, 4.

Turning Grindstones & attending Nailors, 3.

Black-smith, 1.

Shoe-making, 7.

Coopering, 2.

Cooking,	.	.	.	.	2.
Tayloring,	.	.	.	.	2.
Weaving,	.	.	.	.	2.
Washing, and Sawing wood,	.	.	.	.	4.
Spinning,	.	.	.	.	1. Wom/
				Employed,	61.
Sick,				4.	
Old men not able to work,				4. } Unemploy'd	8.
				Total,	69.

*Query 4.* What quantity of work is considered as a day's work, at each particular branch?

*Answer.* A day's work will vary considerably according to the season of the year, and the quality of the work, but is supposed to average nearly as follows, viz.

<i>A Days work.</i>			
	d.	lb.	
<i>Nail cutting.</i>	20	Nails, 200.	
	12	do. 180.	
	10	do. 160.	
	8	do. 140.	Allowed the
	6	do. 110.	Prisoners for
	4	do. 72.	cutting Nails
	3	dos 50.	and Brads,
<i>Brad cutting.</i>	12	Brals, 130.	3/- per. day.
	10	do. 115.	
	8	do. 100.	
	6	do. 80.	

<i>Allowed for heading.</i>			
	d.	lb.	
<i>Heading Nails.</i>	20	Nails, 80.	5/- per. 100 Wt.
	12	do. 70.	
	10	do. 60.	6/- do.
	8	do. 50.	7/- do.
	6	do. 40.	8/-4 do.
	4	do. 25.	14/- do.
	3	do. 16.	18/- do.

<i>Making Wrought Nails.</i>	10 & 12	13.	3d $\frac{1}{2}$ per. lb.
8 do.		10.	4d do.
6 do.		8.	5d do.

*A Days work.*

<i>Shoe-making.</i>	Mens calf skin shoes lined, &c. } Mens coarse do. Womens slippers, Bootees,	1 pair, 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ per. pair. 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ do. 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ do. 2 do. 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ do. $\frac{1}{2}$ do. 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ do.
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*Coopering.* . . . . 4 Nail kegs 11d per. keg.

*Note.* The staves of which all the Nail kegs are made, are taken out of the cord word that is purchased for the use of the Prison.

*A Days work.*

<i>Weaving,</i> Plain work such as linen, linsey, &c. from 5 to 8 yds. Rag carpets, Double work such as Bedtick, Diaper, &c. 5 to 7 do.	8d per. yard. 6 to 10 do. 8d do. 10d do.
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*Spinning.* Flax-yarn, 1 a days work, at 2 $\frac{1}{2}$  per. lb.  
Tbw. do. 1 do. 1 $\frac{1}{2}$  do.

*Note.* Sundry other work, allowed for by the day, according to the nature of the business; and in proportion to the abilities of the performer, such as Cooking, Tayloring, Black-smith, Carpenter work, Washing, Sawing wood, Scrubbing and cleaning the rooms, white-washing, mending cloathes, &c. from 2/, 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ , 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ , to 3 $\frac{1}{2}$  per day.

*Query 5.* The nature of contracts for materials, whether on credit, and how long?

*Answer.* Materials are purchased on the most advantageous and convenient terms, sometimes for cash, and sometimes on sixty days credit.

*Query 6.* The nature of contracts for the sale of Manufactures whether on credit, and how long?

**Answer.** The Manufactured articles are sold, some for cash, and some at sixty, or ninety days credit, according to the nature, quality, and quantity of the sale.

**Query 7.** How much per week is each Prisoner charged for his board?

**Answer.** 20 cents per day, or dol. 1, 40 per week.

**Note.** In the above sum of one dollar and forty cents per week, it is contemplated they should pay for fire wood in their bed rooms, lamp-light, bed cloathes, the expence of cooking, Kitchen furniture, such as knives, forks, spoons, dishes, plates, pans, &c. &c. besides their provisions.

**Query 8.** How much for cloathing?

**Answer.** Cloathes are charged for in proportion to the size and quality of cloth, that can be procured for that purpose, generally as follows, viz.

1 upper jacket made of blue cloth,	dolls.	2 80
1 Under do. . . . .	do. . . . .	2 00
1 Pair trowlers,	do. . . . .	2 50
1 Pair do. . . . .	linen, . . . . .	1 25
1 Shirt, . . . . .	from 1 50 to	1 67
1 Pair shoes, . . . . .	generally	1 50
1 Pair stockings, . . . . .	from 50 cents to	1 00

**Query 9.** What sum is allowed each Prisoner for each particular Manufacture?

**Answer.** See answer to Query 4.

**Query 10.** How much allowed for a Physician?

**Answer.** Sixty dollars per annum, he finding Medicine.

**Query 11.** What kind and quantity of food allowed?

**Answer.** For breakfast and supper, they have Indian meal made into mush *quantum sufficit*, with 1-2 gill of molasses to each man per meal.

For dinner, they are allowed 1-2lb. coin'd beef or 3-4lb. of veal, or other fresh meat, made into soup, with vegetables, (say) potatoes, turnips, cabbage, &c. together with 10 oz. rye bread to each man.

*Note.* For variety and economy, they are fed one or two days in the week, for dinner, on smoaked herring, and bread.

*Query 12.* What are the particular internal regulations, so far as relates to hours of work, rest, meals, &c.?

*Answer.* Every day in the year (if in health) except fundays, they work from sun rise, until within three quarters of an hour of sun set, allowing half an hour for breakfast, one hour in winter, and one hour and a half in summer for dinner, and half an hour for supper.

#### *Hours of Rest.*

They are locked up in their rooms every evening at sun-set, after which time they do no kind of work, they generally go to sleep at nine o'clock at night, or sooner if they will, and there continue until sun-rise next morning.

#### *Hours for Meals.*

In winter breakfast at 8, dinner at 12, and supper at 4. In summer breakfast at 7, dinner at 12, and supper at 6, or nearly so according to the season.

*Query 13.* What are the particular duties of the Keepers, by night, and by day?

*Answer.* Principal Keeper see the Law, page 272.

Clerk needs no explanation.

- 1. Assistant Keeper to superintend the different Manufactories, keep order amongst the men, keep them to their work, weigh and take an account of their work daily, render an ac-

count of their work quarterly to the Clerk, or often if required, weigh the Nails, and see them put in kegs, weigh the Iron when it comes to the Prison, &c. &c. such is his duty by day, and at night, take his regular tour of watch.

2. Assistant to unlock the Prison rooms, and let out the Prisoners every morning, lock them up at night, and through the course of the day superintend the internal affairs of the Prison, such as examining the rooms, to see that the grates, floors, or walls, have not been cut, or injured by the Prisoners, examine the cells, and those that are confined there, give out their provisions, ring the bell, and attend them while at meals, ring the bell to warn them to work, call for and deliver any thing that may be wanted through the main door, &c. &c. and take his regular tour of watch by night.

3. Assistant to watch all day in the Prison-yard, and take his regular tour of watch at night.

4. Assistant to do all the out door work, such as carting Iron, Nails, or any thing that may be wanted, to and from the Prison, go of errands, attend the cattle gates, when Iron, wood, Nails, &c. are going through, take care of the horse, attend in the Prison-yard at meal times, or any other time that occasion may require, and take a tour of watch at night if necessary.

*Query 14.* What alterations (if any) they may judge necessary in the existing Laws, so far as relates to the power of the Inspectors, or for enforcing obedience in the Prisoners, &c. ?

*Answer.* The Law is already sufficient to enforce obedience in the Prisoners, but in our opinion the Inspectors ought to have power invested in them, to remit costs, and discharge invalids,

&c. without troubling the Governor and Council.

*Query 15.* What price each particular Manufacture are sold at?

*Answer.* CUT NAILS.

By the ton & upward,

*d*      cents.

3	Nails, 12½ per lb.
4	do. 12
6	do. 11
8	do. 9
10	do. 9
12	do. 9
20	do. 8½

By the keg,

*d*      cents.

3	Nails, 14 per lb.
4	do. 13
6	do. 12
8	do. 10
10	do. 10
12	do. 10
20	do. 8½

CUT BRADS,

are sold at the same price as Nails.

Wrought Nails whole sale.

Retail.

*d*      cents.

12	13 per. lb.
10	
8	
6	15

*d*      cents.

12	14 per lb.
10	
8	
6	16

Mens calf skin shoes, dolls. 1 67 per single pair.

Mens coarse, do. 1 50 do.

Womens slippers, 1 12 do.

Bootees, 4 50 do.

Fire buckets, 4 do.

Chip hats, from 50 cents to 1 per Hat.

Rush-bottomed chairs, 3 50 per ½ doz.

*Query 16.* What number of Negroes, and how many were free, and how many slaves?

*Answer.* Twenty Negroes.

12 of which were free.

8 slaves.

*Query 17.* What number of Foreigners and their nation?

*Answer.* Six Foreigners,

of which are 1 German.

1 Englishman.

1 West-Indian.

3 Irishman.

Total 6

*Query 18.* What is the present situation of the ground belonging to the State, near the Prison, and what it would probably rent for per year?

*Answer.* It now lies waste, the fence being much out of repair, and in its present state, we do not think it would rent at any sum. Yet in our opinion it may be managed so as to benefit the State, (i e) by repairing the fence, manuring and tilling the ground and raising potatoes, corn, &c. for the use of the State-Prison.

The above answers to the several queries proposed, is submitted to the Commmitte.

HENRY BELLERJEAU,

*Keeper of the State-Prison.*

MOORE FURMAN,

*President of the Board of Inspectors.*

A message from Council by Mr Beatty their Secretary, informed the House, that Council had passed the bill entitled An act for facilitating the communication from Morris-town in the county of Morris, through Dover, Mount-Pleasant, and from thence to Sparta in the county of Sussex, with sundry amendments; to which amendments he requested the concurrence of this House.

Which amendments were read a first and second time, severally agreed to, and the bill as amended ordered to be re-engrossed.

A petition from the Proprietors of the Trenton Water-works, praying an act of incorporation, was read, and

leave being given the petitioners to bring in a bill, Mr W. Pearson presented a bill in their behalf, which was read and ordered a second reading.

A petition from the children, legatees, and others interested in the estate of John Benham, deceased, praying a law to vest in some person authority to fulfil the last will and testament of the said John Benham, deceased, was read and committed to Messrs Lacey, Knott, and Kipp.

Mr Frelinghuysen, from the committee on that subject, reported a bill entitled A supplement to the act entitled An act for supporting Ideots and Lunatics, and preserving their estates; which bill was read a second time, considered by sections, and ordered to be engrossed.

A message from Council by Mr Beatty their Secretary, informed the House, that Council had disagreed to the bill entitled An act to dissolve the marriage contract between Susannah Simson, formerly Susannah Hammett, and James Simson, her husband.

Mr Darby, agreeably to leave given, presented a bill entitled An act to incorporate parts of the township of Westfield and the borough of Elizabeth, in the county of Essex, into a separate township, to be called the township of Rahway; which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

The bill entitled An act to ratify an Amendment of the Constitution of the United States, was read a third time.

On the question, Shall this bill pass?

It was carried in the affirmative as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs Burroughs,	Messrs Kitchell,
J. Cox, <i>Speaker</i> ,	Linn,
Cooper,	Newell,
Corwin,	Ogden,
Day,	A. Pieron,
Darby,	Rifley,
Godwin,	Ray,

## YEAS.

Messrs Hankinson,	Messrs Runyan,
Haas,	M. Smith,
Howell,	R. Smith,
Johnson,	Shaver,
Knott.	

## NAYS.

Messrs Blanch,	Messrs M'Eowen,
Beatty,	W. Pearson,
W. Coxe,	Ryerson,
Dunn,	Scudder,
Frelinghuyzen,	Stockton,
Falkenburg,	Voorhees,
Kipp,	Van Duyn.
Lacey,	

*Ordered*, That the Speaker do sign said bill.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do inform Council that said bill has been passed by this House without amendment.

The House adjourned to three o'clock in the afternoon.

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Three o'clock afternoon....The House met.

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The Committee to whom were referred the petition of John Voorhees and others praying compensation for services and expences in pursuing sundry persons suspected to have robbed the Treasury of this state, having examined the petitioners with their vouchers and documents, and having consulted the Governor and Treasurer of the state, offer the following Report:

That two of the petitioners, viz. Amos Howell, and George Dill, induced by information which to them appeared correct, and by the advice of respectable characters whom they consulted, pursued after certain persons suspected of being concerned in the robbery of the Treasury to the City of Washington, in the District of Columbia—that with the aid of the civil authority, and with the assistance of the

Senators representing this State then in Washington, they succeeded in arresting several of the suspected persons, but were unable sufficiently to substantiate the evidence of their guilt, from which circumstance, and aided by the Counsel which they were enabled to employ in their defence, the prisoners obtained their discharge from the Mayor of George-Town. The said Amos Howell and George Dill, with great industry and perseverance, and at the risque of their lives, pursued the persons to the City of Baltimore, passed them on the road, and with much trouble and expense procured three of the persons, (with their baggage) to be arrested and confined in the Gaol of Baltimore—and then immediately returned to Trenton for proper authority and competent force to demand and bring the prisoners to this State for trial.—That in the prosecution of this business the said Amos Howell and George Dill, incurred sundry expences amounting as by their account to one hundred and twenty dollars.

That on the return of the said Howell and Dill to Trenton, they applied to the Governor of this State for authority to return for the prisoners.—That the information communicated by them and which is at large detailed by the depositions of the said Howell and Dill, to which the committee request a referrence, and the further and very circumstantial information contained in a letter from the Honorable John Condit, to the Governor of this State, induced the Governor, with the advice of the Treasurer, and Attorney General, to furnish the petitioners with proper authority, and further to sanction their endeavors by a recommendation to the Treasurer to accommodate them with a temporary loan of two hundred dollars to defray their expenses.—That the before mentioned John Voorhees, Amos Howell, and George Dill, accompanied by Benjamin Yard, and Elijah Howell, others of the petitioners, then repaired to Baltimore in full expectation of obtaining the prisoners, but finding them liberated and that they had absconded two days before their arrival at Baltimore, were obliged after some fruitless search to return without the said prisoners.

The Committee taking into view the extraordinary diligence, prudence and spirit discovered by the said Amos

Howell and George Dill in the pursuit of the persons suspected, and being of opinion that such meritorious conduct is justly entitled to the attention and encouragement of the Legislature, recommend that the sum of one hundred dollars be allowed to the said Howell and Dill for their expenses.

With respect to the claim of the petitioners at large for payment and allowance of their expences and carriage hire incurred in the second expedition, amounting to one hundred and fifty-five dollars—The committee taking into consideration the sanction of the Executive, which upon every principle of sound policy they approve, and the further encouragement given to the petitioners to expect Legislative aid, which appears to have been confirmed by the opinion of the most respectable public characters in Trenton—and believing that if their exertions had not been frustrated by unforeseen and peculiarly unfortunate circumstances, they would probably have terminated in the discovery and conviction of the perpetrators of the robbery, are of opinion that the said sum of one hundred and fifty-five dollars be allowed to the said petitioners agreeably to their account exhibited.

As to the two last items of ten and forty-five dollars in the account of the petitioners—it appearing that the services were rendered on the application of the former Treasurer and James Mott, Esquire, and being on the same footing with numerous other services performed by other persons on this subject, the committee are of opinion that no compensation for those particular services can be reasonably expected from the Legislature.

JOSEPH COOPER,  
WILLIAM COXE.

Which report was read, and ordered a second reading.

*Resolved*, That his Excellency the Governor be requested to transmit to the Secretary of the Department of State of the United States an authenticated copy of the act entitled An act to ratify an amendment of the Constitution of the United States.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry to Council the foregoing Resolution, and request their concurrence therein.

The engrossed bill entitled An act to authorize the owners and possessors of a certain tract of Meadow therein named to prevent horses and cattle from running at large therein, was read a third time and compared.

On the question, Shall this bill pass?

It was carried in the affirmative as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs Blanch,	Messrs Kitchell,
Beatty,	Lacey,
Burroughs,	M'Eowen,
W. Coxe,	Newell,
Cooper,	Ogden,
Corwin,	W. Pearson,
Day,	A. Pierson,
Darby,	Ryerson,
Dunn,	Risley,
Frelinghuyzen,	Ray,
Falkenburg,	Scudder,
Godwin,	Runyan,
Hankinson,	Stockton,
Haas,	M. Smith,
Howell,	R. Smith,
Kipp,	Voorhees,
Knott,	Van Duyn.

NAYS.

Messrs Johnson,  
Linn,

Mr Shaver.

*Ordered*, That the Speaker do sign the said bill.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry the said bill to Council, inform them that it has been passed by this House, and request their concurrence therein.

The bill from Council entitled An act to alter and repeal part of an act entitled An act for laying out, opening, and improving certain roads in the counties of Cumberland, Salem, Gloucester, and Burlington, in this State, with the amendments made thereto by this House, were read a third time.

On the question, Shall this bill as amended pass?  
It was carried unanimously in the affirmative.

*Ordered,* That the Speaker do sign said bill and amendments.

*Ordered,* That the Clerk do carry this bill to Council, inform them it has been passed by this House, with sundry amendments, and request their concurrence in said amendments.

The bill entitled An act directing the time and mode of electing Representatives of the ninth Congress, and Electors of the President and Vice-President of the United States on the part of this State, was read a second time, considered by section and ordered to be engrossed.

A message from Council by Mr Beatty their Secretary, informed the House that Council had concurred in the resolution from this House requesting his excellency the Governor to transmit to the Secretary of the Department of State of the United States, an authenticated copy of the act to ratify an Amendment of the Constitution of the United States; also that Council had passed the bill from this House entitled An act to regulate the shad fisheries on South-River, in the county of Middlesex, without amendment; also, that Council had passed a bill entitled An act to amend and explain An act entitled An act directing the mode of entering Judgments upon Bonds, with warrants to confess Judgments, passed March ninth, Anno Domini 1798, to which last-mentioned bill he requested the concurrence of this House; which bill was read, and ordered a second reading.

Mr Falkenburge asked and obtained leave of absence for the remainder of the sitting.

The House adjourned to half-past nine o'clock to-morrow morning.

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## THURSDAY, February 23.

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Half-past nine o'clock....The House met.

Mr A- Personi from the committee for that purpose, reported a bill entitled An act more effectually to prevent

horse-racing ; and to repeal part of an act entitled An act concerning horse-racing , which was read and ordered a second reading, & meantime to be printed for the use of the members.

Mr Beatty, from the committee on that subject, reported a bill entitled A supplement to the act entitled an act for the regulation of the militia of New-Jersey, passed June 13, 1799 ; which bill was read, and ordered a second reading, and meanwhile to be printed for the use of the Members.

The engrossed bill entitled A supplement to the act entitled An act for supporting Ideots and Lunatics and preserving their estates, was read a third time and compared.

On the question, Shall this bill pass ?

It was carried unanimously in the affirmative.

*Ordered*, That the Speaker do sign said bill.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry the said bill to Council, inform them that it has been passed by this House, and request their concurrence therein.

The re-engrossed bill entitled An act for facilitating the communication from Morristown in the county of Morris, through Dover, Mount-Pleasant, and from thence to Sparta, in the county of Sussex, was read and compared.

On the question, Shall this re-engrossed bill pass ?

It was carried in the affirmative as follows :

### YEAS.

Messrs Blanch,

Beatty,

Burroughs,

W. Coxe,

Cooper,

Corwin,

Darby,

Frelinghuysen,

Godwin,

Hankinson,

Haas,

Howell,

Johnson,

Messrs Linn,

M'Eowen,

Newell,

Ogden,

W. Pearson,

A. Pierson,

Ryerson,

Risley,

Ray,

Runyan,

Scudder,

Stockton,

M. Smith,

## YEAS.

Messrs Knott,  
Kitchell,  
Lacey,

Messrs R. Smith,  
Shaver.  
Voorhees,

## NAYS.

Messrs Dunn,  
Kipp,

Mr Van Duyn.

*Ordered*, That the Speaker do sign said bill.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry this bill to Council, and inform them that it has been passed by this House, with the Amendments made thereto by Council.

The committee to whom was referred the petition of Benjamin Tharp, Report,

That having had the same under consideration, after having examined the papers offered in proof of the facts set forth in said petition, the books in the Secretary's office, and the Laws of this State, made relative to the case, find the circumstances to be as follows, viz. That commissioners were appointed in behalf of this State, and agreeable to the Laws thereof, to ascertain the amount of depreciation of pay due to each officer and soldier belonging to the Regiments raised in New-Jersey, and then in the service of the United States, and make a return of the sum due to each individual to the auditor of the State; the same Law directed the Treasurer of the State to issue notes for the payment of the sum so audited, and deliver the same to the persons to whom due or their order.

That the sum of £110 16s 8d stands to the credit of sergeant Bredan, quarter master sergeant in the 1st Regiment of New-Jersey, as entered in Liber B of accounts page 2, and full proof being made to your committee that Benjamin Tharp is the Lawful Attorney of the said Bredan, are of the opinion that a Law ought to pass to enable the petitioner to draw the same from the Treasury of this State.

By order of the Committee,

GERSHOM DUNN.

Which report was read and ordered a second reading.

A message from Council by Mr Beatty their Secretary, informed the House, that Council had passed a bill entitled An act for the relief of Insolvent debtors ; and a bill entitled A supplement to the act entitled An act making provision for the carrying into effect the act for the punishment of crimes ; to which bills he requested the concurrence of this House.

Which bills were severally read, and ordered a second reading.

The bill entitled An act to incorporate parts of the township of Westfield, and the Borough of Elizabeth, in the county of Essex, into a seporate township, to be called the township of Rahway, was read a second time, considered by section, the title so amended as to read " the townships of Westfield and Elizabeth-Town," and the bill ordered to be engrossed.

Mr Johnson was added to the committee on the petition of Kenneth Hankinton, in the place of Mr Falkenburge who had obtained leave of absence.

The bill entitled An act for facilitating the communication from the Hudson river opposite the City of New-York, to the Eastern Abutment of the bridge on Passaic river, was read a second time, the consideration by section commenced, and after some time spent thereon,

The House adjourned to three o'clock this afternoon.

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Three o'clock afternoon.... The House met.

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The committee to whom was referred the petition of Rachel Parker, beg leave to report,

That your committee having examined the said petition, and papers accompanying the same, are of opinion that the said Rachel Parker have leave to withdraw her petition and papers accompanying the same.

By order of the committee,

JOSEPH COOPER.

Which report was read, and agreed to by the House.

The committee to whom was referred two several petitions from sundry inhabitants of the counties of Essex, and Bergen, respecting the fisheries in Passaic river, having taken the same into consideration, and as the first petition contemplates an alteration, or supplement to a Law which we find has long since been repealed, and that the latter is a counter petition thereto,

Your committee therefore beg leave to report, that in their opinion the petitioners ought to have leave to withdraw their petitions.

By order of the committee,

THOMAS BLANCH.

Which report was read, and agreed to by the House.

A petition from the administrators of James Mason, late of the township of Evesham, in the county of Burlington, deceased, praying a law to authorize them to sell a certain tract of land therein mentioned, was read and ordered to be dismissed.

A petition from the Rev. James F. Armstrong, in behalf of the Presbytery of New Brunswick, praying that the said Presbytery may be incorporated by law was read, and committed to Messrs Van Duyn, Runyan, and Corwin.

The House resumed the consideration of the bill entitled An act for facilitating the communication from the Hudson river opposite the city of New York, to the Eastern Abutment of the bridge on Passaic river; and after some time employed thereon,

*Ordered*, That the further consideration of this bill be postponed.

A message from Council by Mr Beatty their Secretary, informed the House, that Council had passed the bill entitled An act to authorize the owners and possessors of a certain tract of meadow therein named to prevent horses and cattle from running at large therein, without amendment.

A petition from sundry inhabitants of the county of Burlington, for some amendment to the law relative to the granting of licences to keep taverns or public houses, was read, and ordered a second reading.

The bill entitled An act to authorize Joseph Chamberlain and Ezekiel Holmes, administrators of the Rev. John Hanna, deceased, to fulfil a contract for the sale of lands made by the deceased with Samuel Arnwine, was read a second time, considered by section, and ordered to be engrossed.

The House adjourned to half past nine o'clock to-morrow morning.

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**FRIDAY, February 24.**

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Half-past nine o'clock....The House met.

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A petition from a number of inhabitants of the town of Newark, praying for certain reasons therein set forth, that the bill for incorporating a company to make a turnpike road from Paulus Hook to the Passaic river, may be postponed to the next session of the Legislature, was read.

*Ordered,* That the bill to which this petition refers, together with the petition itself, be postponed to the next sitting of the Legislature.

Mr W. Coxe, from the committee appointed to make a catalogue of the books in the Library belonging to the Legislature and to draught Rules for the regulation of the same, made a report as follows:

*A Catalogue of Books belonging to the Legislature of New-Jersey.*

FOLIOS..

9 Sets of Paterson's edition of the Laws of N. Jersey, 1 vol.

2 do. Allinson's do. do. do.

5 do. Wilson's do. do. do.

5 Volumes New-Jersey Laws, 1703 to 1782 bound  
and lettered, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5.

2 Sets of Leaming & Spicers Grants & Concessions, 1 vol.

1 vol. of Nevill's edition of New-Jersey Laws.

1 do. Bradford's do. do.

1 do. Laws of New-Jersey, 1776 to 1782

1 do. do. 1782 to 1788

1 do. do. 1786 to 1792

1 do. do. 1787 to 1795

1 do. do. 1795 to 1798

1 do. do. 1797 to 1799

1 do. do. 1792 to 1798

14 volumes of Manuscript Votes of Assembly, bound  
and lettered, from 1741 to 1799—Complete.

Votes of Assembly, vols. 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 7, 8, to 1798,  
5th wanting, bound and lettered.

Ditto lib. A, B, C, 3 vols. 1, 2, 3.

do. 1 vol. 1776 to 1786

do. 1 do. 1780 to 1785

do. 1 do. 1782 to 1793

do. 1 do. 1786 to 1793

do. 1 do. 1793 to 1796

do. 2 do. 2 sets 1793 to 1798

do 1 do. 1796 to 1798

Journals of Council,

2 vols. 1 and 2 1776 to 1790

1 do. 1783 to 1788

2 do. 1784 to 1798

1 do. 1790 to 1798

1 do. 1788 to 1798

Minutes of Joint-Meeting, 1776 to 1793 1 vol.

do. 1788 to 1798 1 do.

do. 1793 to 1798 1 do.

2 sets of Cunningham's Law Dictionary, 2 vols. each

4 volumes of Laws of Pennsylvania, 1 2, 3 4.

1 do. No. 1776 to 1790 in boards.

1 do. Minutes of Pennsylvania, 1780 to 1790  
in boards.

1 do. Franklin's Laws of Pennsylvania, 1742.

1 do. Laws of New-York 1752, 1st vol.

5 do. laws of Virginia, 1794, 1797, 1798,  
1800, and 1801.

1 do. laws of North Carolina.

1 do. manuscript letters during the Rev. War.  
 1 do. laws of the United States, in boards.  
 British statutes at large vol. 1 to 25 except 7 and  
 8 missing.

D'Elvees Journals of Parliament 2 sets.  
 1 vol. do. in the reign of Queen Elizabeth.  
 1 vol. Laws of Massachusetts, 1779 to 1785.  
 3 do. Journals of Congress, 1789 to 1793.  
 4 do. do. Senate, to 1793.

#### QUARTOS.

Carey's edition of Guthrie's Geography,	2 vols. & Atlas.
Laws of Maryland,	2 do.
Laws of South Carolina,	3 do.
Laws of North Carolina, 1791 to 1794,	1 do.
Ferguson's Moral Science,	2 do.

#### OCTAVOS.

Laws of New-Hampshire, 1797,	1 vol.
Perpetual Laws of Massachusetts, 2 sets	1 vol. each.
Laws of Rhode-Island,	1 do.
Laws of Connecticut to 1796.	
Laws of New-York, to 1789, 2 sets	2 do. each.
Do new edition, 1802, 1st vol.	
Vattel's law of Nations,	1 do.
Sheridan's Dictionary,	2 do. 1 & 2
Blackstone's Commentaries, 2 sets	4 do. each.
Journals of Old Congress, bound in 13 vols. 7 and 9 missing.	
Do. 5th vol.	
Do. unbound 6 vols.	
Laws of the United States, 5 sets of 4 vols. each complete.	
American Senator, 2 first vols.	
Paley's Philosophy.	

#### DUODECIMO.

2 Bibles.

#### MISSING.

Sheridan's Dictionary, 1 set, 1st. and 2nd. vols.	
Montesquieu's Spirit of Laws,	2 vols. 8vo.
Vattel's Law of Nations, 1 set,	
Laws of Kentucky,	

Howard's view of Prisons, 2 vols, 8vo. supposed to be at the State-Prison.

There is also a very large number of pamphlet laws, and Journals of the House of Representatives and Senate of the United States ; which ought to be carefully selected and bound so as to preserve a regular series from the commencement of the Government of the United States, and it would be expedient to separate and put by a proper number of the pamphlet Laws, Votes, and Journals of this State, to be bound when necessary ; they are now mixed in great confusion.

The Committee appointed to examine and report the state of the Library, and what new books may be wanted for the same, Report,

That the preceding schedule contains a list of all the books in the Library, and those which are missing as accurately as their means of information enabled the committee to ascertain them—They suspect that there are some other books which have been lost, but which they have no means of discovering.—They recommend the following resolution.

*Resolved*, That the following Rules be adopted for the regulation and preservation of the books in the Library.

1st. That the Books be put under the care of the Clerk of the House of Assembly, who shall provide a book in which each member of Council, or Assembly, shall enter the name or names of the books taken out by him and the time of taking out.

2nd. That none but the members of the legislature be permitted to take out Books, and that the members consider themselves bound not to take a Book from the State-House without entering the name of it in the Library Book.

3d. That a stamp be prepared with which the words *New-Jersey Legislature* be branded on each book—with a number to each set to be marked on the back.

4th. That the list of Books shall be printed in the votes of the House of Assembly with these rules for the information of the members.

5th. That the Clerk of the House, and the Clerk of the Council, be required to cause the copies of the laws of the United States, transmitted by the General Government, and which have been retained by the two houses, to be bound in the same manner as the first four volumes—and to proceed in the same manner in future.

6th. That the Clerk of the House of Assembly be required to have the Laws of this State, and Journals and Votes, reserved for the use of the House, to be bound in the same manner, and that the Secretary be requested to do the same with those of Council.

7th. All the binding to be of leather, strong and neat, and as nearly as can be similar to that of the laws of the United States.

By order of the Committee,

WILLIAM COXE.

Which report was read and ordered a second reading.

The engrossed bill entitled An act directing the time and mode of electing Electors of the President and Vice President of the United States, and Representatives of the ninth Congress on the part of this State, was read a third time, and compared.

On the question, Shall this bill pass?

It was carried in the affirmative as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs Burroughs,  
Cooper,  
Corwin,  
Day,  
Darby,  
Godwin,  
Hankinson,  
Haas,  
Howell,  
Johnson,  
Kipp,  
Knott,  
Kitchell,

Messrs Lacey,  
Linn,  
Newell,  
Ogden,  
A. Pierson,  
Rifley,  
Ray,  
Runyan,  
Scudder,  
M. Smith,  
R. Smith,  
Shaver,  
Voorhees.

## NAYS.

Messrs Blanch,  
Beatty,  
W. Coxe,  
Frelinghuysen,  
M' Eowen,

Messrs W. Pearson,  
Ryerson,  
Stockton,  
Van Duyn.

*Ordered*, That the Speaker do sign the same.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry the said bill to Council, inform them that it has been passed by this House, and request their concurrence therein.

The bill from Council entitled An act respecting Clerks in Chancery, with the Amendments reported thereto by a committee of this House, were taken up, the amendments agreed to, and the bill as amended ordered a third reading.

*Ordered*, That Mr Day be added to the committee on the subject of fisheries on the river Delaware, in the place of Mr Stout, who is absent.

The bill from Council entitled An act to amend and explain an act entitled An act directing the mode of entering Judgments upon Bonds with warrants to confess Judgments, passed March ninth, Anno Domini, 1798, was read a second time, together with sundry petitions on the subject from Citizens of the Counties of Salem and Gloucester; which bill and petitions were committed to Messrs Linn, Van Duyn, and Gorwin.

The bill from Council entitled A supplement to the Act entitled An act making provision for the carrying into effect the act for the punishment of crimes, was read a second time, several amendments made, and the further consideration thereof postponed till afternoon.

The bill from Council entitled An act for the relief of Insolvent Debtors, was read a second time, considered, and ordered a third reading.

The report of the committee on the petitions for an increase of the tax on Dogs and for other purposes therein

mentioned, which report was unfavorable to the prayer of the petitioners, was read a second time, and disagreed to.

Mr W. Coxe, with leave, presented a bill entitled An act relative to Dogs; which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

The House adjourned to three o'clock in the afternoon.

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Three o'clock, afternoon...The House met.

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The bill entitled A supplement to the act entitled An act for the regulation of the Militia of New-Jersey, passed June 13, 1799, was read a second time, taken up by sections; and after being employed thereon till the usual time of adjournment,

The House adjourned to half-past nine o'clock to-morrow morning.

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## SATURDAY, February 25.

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Half-past nine o'clock....The House met.

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The committee to whom were referred sundry petitions respecting the regulation of the Fisheries in the river Delaware, and also the Act of the commonwealth of Pennsylvania, entitled "An act to regulate the Fisheries in the river Delaware and its branches, and for other purposes," beg leave to report, that the petitions and the said act contemplate the following objects, viz.

1. To prevent any fishing in the said river Delaware from sun-setting on Saturday evening until sun-rising on Monday morning.

2. To prohibit the use of more than one sein in any fishing-place above Newbold's island, and of more than two seines below said island, within any one term of twenty-four hours.

3. To limit the time of catching shad in the said river, below the falls of Trenton, to the twenty-fifth day of May, between the said falls and the mouth of the river Lehigh, to the first day of June, and above the mouth of the Lehigh to the fifth day of June, in each and every year.

4. To direct the giving security for the fines incurred, and to take out a certificate to operate as a license for each fishery.

5. To prevent the setting up of any weir, rack, basket, fishing dam or pound, and the use of any swab or bushnet, and the fixing or fastening or setting any gilling sein in the said river.

6. To preserve the navigation of the river by preventing the erection of wing-dams, and other obstructions in the same.

Your committee beg leave further to report the aforesaid act of the State of Pennsylvania, is not to take effect, until a similar law shall be enacted by this State.

Your committee further report that several petitions have been laid before them and many allegations have been made by persons interested against some of the foregoing contemplated provisions; that they conceive it a subject of great importance to the citizens, and that farther time ought to be taken to hear those interested in the fisheries in the river Delaware.

They therefore recommend that the farther consideration of the matters committed to them be referred to the next sitting of the Legislature.

By order of the committee,

FRED. FRELINGHUYSEN.

Which report was read, and agreed to by the House.

A Letter from John Oliver of Bordentown, and a Memorial from George Holcombe of Trenton, on the subject of the fisheries on the river Delaware, were read and postponed to the next sitting of the Legislature.

Mr Linn, from the committee to whom was referred the

bill entitled An act to amend and explain an Act entitled An act directing the mode of entering Judgments upon Bonds with warrants to confess Judgments, passed March ninth, Anno Domini, 1798, reported the same with sundry amendments ; which amendments were read, agreed to, and the bill as amended ordered a third reading.

Mr Linn, with leave, presented a bill entitled A supplement to the act entitled an act to regulate the practice of the Courts of law, passed the 14th day of February, Anno Domini 1799 ; which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do wait on Council, and inform them that this House are ready to go into a Joint Meeting for the appointment of the necessary officers of the State ; and request the Council to appoint the time and place of said meeting.

Mr Cooper with leave presented a bill entitled An act to prohibit Clerks of the Courts of Common Pleas from practising as attorneys or Counsellors at law ; which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

A message from Council by Mr Beatty their Secretary informed the House that Council had passed the bill entitled An act to repeal parts of two acts therein mentioned, with the amendments made thereto by this House, and had caused the same to be re-engrossed.

The committee to whom was referred the petition of Kenneth Hankinson, late collector of the county of Monmouth, beg leave to report,

That in said petition are stated three several items as will appear by the reading thereof, for which he prays relief from this honorable Legislature ; that the first and third of said items, from the best information your committee have been able to obtain, it appears have been settled and allowed said petitioner by the Board of Justices and Free-holders of said county ; as to the second item there appears some propriety in the application, but the documents respecting it do not appear to be sufficiently authenticated to

warrant the proceeding therein at present. Your committee are therefore of opinion that the petitioner have leave to withdraw his papers.

By order of the committee,

ABRM. GODWIN.

Which report was read and agreed to by the House.

The engrossed bill entitled An act to authorize Joseph Chamberlain and Ezekiel Holmes, administrators of the Rev. John Hanna, deceased, to fulfil a contract for the sale of lands made by the deceased with Samuel Arnwine, was read a third time and compared.

On the question, Shall this bill pass?

It was carried unanimously in the affirmative.

*Ordered*, That the Speaker do sign the same.

The engrossed bill entitled an act to incorporate parts of the townships of Westfield and Elizabeth-Town, in the county of Essex, into a separate township to be called the township of Rahway, was read a third time and compared.

On the question, Shall this bill pass?

It was carried unanimously in the affirmative.

*Ordered*, That the Speaker do sign the same.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry the said bills to Council, inform them that they have been passed by this House, and request their concurrence therein.

The bill from Council entitled An Act respecting Clerks in Chancery, with the Amendments reported thereto by a Committee of this House, were read a third time.

On the question, Shall this bill as amended pass?

It was carried unanimously in the affirmative.

*Ordered*, That the Speaker do sign said bill and amendments.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry the said bill to Council, inform them it has been passed by this House, with sundry

amendments, and request their concurrence in said amendments.

The bill entitled A supplement to the act entitled An act for the regulation of the Militia of New-Jersey, passed June 13, 1799, was called up, and re-committed to the former committee on that subject; by whom it was immediately reported as it had been amended in the House; the House took up the bill as reported; and after going through the same, ordered it to be engrossed.

A message from Council by Mr Beatty their Secretary, informed the House, that Council had passed the bill entitled An act directing the time and mode of electing electors of the President and Vice-President of the United States, and Representatives of the ninth Congress on the part of this State, without amendment; also, that Council would be ready to go into a Joint-Meeting on Tuesday afternoon at three o'clock, in the Assembly-Room, for the purpose of going into the appointment of the necessary officers of the State.

The House adjourned to ten o'clock on Monday morning.

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**MONDAY, February 27.**

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Ten o'clock....The House met.

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The Committee to whom was referred the petition of Jacob Swope, Report,

That your Committee have examined and considered the petition of the said Jacob Swope, and are of opinion that the petitioner ought to have leave to present a bill to answer the prayer of his petition, on the second Thursday of the next session, he previously advertising the purport of the bill he means to present, together with a copy of this order, at least three times, in the Trenton True American, four weeks previous to presenting said bill.

By order of the Committee,

JOSEPH COOPER.

Which report was read, and agreed to by the House.

A petition from Philip Case, of the County of Hunterdon, praying compensation for two Negro slaves, the one killed, and the other executed, was read.

*Ordered*, That said petitioner have leave to withdraw his petition.

Mr Johnson from the Committee on that subject, reported a bill entitled a supplement to An act for incorporating the chosen freeholders in the respective Counties of this State; which was read and ordered a second reading.

The engrossed bill entitled a Supplement to the act entitled An act for the regulation of the Militia of New Jersey, passed June 13, 1799, was read a third time and compared.

On the question, Shall this bill pass?

It was carried unanimously in the affirmative.

*Ordered*, That the Speaker do sign the same.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry the said bill to Council, inform them that it has been passed by this House, and request their concurrence therein.

The bill entitled An act to incorporate the proprietors of the Trenton water-works, was read a second time and postponed.

The bill entitled An act to provide for the establishment of Markets for the sale of live stock in the several counties of this State, was read a second time, and committed to Messrs Cooper, Stockton, and M'Eowen.

The bill entitled A Supplement to the act entitled An act to regulate the practice of the Courts of Law passed the 14th day of February, Anno Domini 1799, was read a second time, considered by section, and ordered to be engrossed.

The bill entitled An act to prohibit Clerks of the Courts of Common Pleas from practising as Attorneys or Counselors at Law, was read a second time, considered by section, and ordered to be engrossed.

The bill from Council entitled An act to amend and explain an act entitled An act directing the mode of entering Judgments upon Bonds, with warrants to confess Judgments, passed March 9th, 1798, with the Amendment thereto by this House, were read a third time.

On the question, Shall this bill as amended pass?

It was carried in the affirmative as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs Burroughs,  
Cooper,  
Corwin,  
Day,  
Darby,  
Godwin,  
Hankinson,  
Haas,  
Howell,  
Johnson,  
Knott,  
Kitchell,  
Lacey,

Messrs Linn,  
Newell,  
Ogden,  
A. Pierson,  
Riley,  
Ray,  
Runyan,  
Scudder,  
Stockton,  
M. Smith,  
R. Smith,  
Stout,  
Shaver.

NAYS.

Messrs Beatty,  
Dunn,  
Kipp,  
M'Eowen,

Messrs Ryerson,  
Voorhees,  
Van Duyn.

*Ordered*, That the Speaker do sign said bill and amendments.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry the said bill to Council, inform them that it has been passed by this House with sundry amendments, and request their concurrence in said amendments.

The House adjourned to three o'clock this afternoon.

Three o'clock afternoon....The House met.

The House resumed the consideration of the bill entitled An act to incorporate the proprietors of the Trenton water-

works ; and after going through the same by section ordered it to be engrossed.

Mr Cooper from the committee to whom was committed the bill entitled An act to provide for the establishment of Markets for the sale of live stock in the several counties of this state, reported the same with sundry amendments.

The House took up the bill as amended, and after going through the same by sections, ordered it to be engrossed.

The engrossed bill entitled An act to prohibit Clerks of the Courts of Common Pleas from practising as Attorneys or Counsellors at Law, was read a third time and compared.

On the question, Shall this bill pass ?

It was decided in the negative as follows :

#### YEAS.

Messrs Burroughs,  
Cooper,  
Godwin,  
Hankinson,  
Howell,  
Johnson,  
Linn,

Messrs Newell,  
Ogden,  
Riley,  
Ray,  
M. Smith,  
R. Smith,  
Shaver.

#### NAYS.

Messrs Blanch,  
Beatty,  
W. Coxe,  
Corwin,  
Day,  
Darby,  
Dunn,  
Frelinghuysen,  
Haas,  
Kipp,  
Knott,

Messrs Kitchell,  
Lacey,  
M'Eowen,  
W. Pearson,  
A. Pierson,  
Ryerson,  
Scudder,  
Stockton,  
Stout,  
Voorhees,  
Van Duyn.

The engrossed bill entitled A supplement to the act entitled An act to regulate the practice of the Courts of Law, passed the 14th day of February, Anno Domini 1799, was read a third time and compared.

On the question shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the negative as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs Burroughs,  
Cooper,  
Corwin,  
Godwin,  
Hankinson,  
Haas,  
Howell,  
Johnson,  
Knott,

Messrs Linn,  
Newell,  
Ogden,  
A. Pierson,  
Ray,  
M. Smith,  
R. Smith,  
Shaver.

NAYS.

Messrs Blanch,  
Beatty,  
W. Coxe,  
Darby,  
Dunn,  
Frelinghuysen,  
Kipp,  
Kitchell,  
Lacey,

Messrs M'Eowen,  
W. Pearson,  
Ryerson,  
Rifley,  
Scudder,  
Stockton,  
Stout,  
Voorhees,  
Van Duyn.

The Report made by Mr Kitchell, on the Letter and Statement of the Secretary of State of this State, was called up, read a second time, and agreed to.

A petition from sundry inhabitants of the Counties of Monmouth and Middlesex, praying leave to present a bill to enable them to erect a dam over Whale Creek, was read.

*Ordered*, That the petitioners have leave to present a bill to answer the prayer of their petition, on the second Tuesday of the next sitting of the Legislature, they previously advertising the purport of the bill they mean to present, together with a copy of this order, at least three weeks previous to the presenting of said bill in the public paper printed at New-Brunswick, and in four of the most public places in the neighborhood where the said dam is intended to be erected.

Mr Cooper, with leave presented a bill entitled An act to prohibit Clerks of the Courts of Common Pleas and General Quarter Sessions of the Peace from practising as Attorneys or Counsellors at law in the counties in which they are Clerks; which bill was read, and ordered a second reading.

A message from Council by Mr Beatty their Secretary, informed the House, that Council had passed the bill entitled An act to incorporate parts of the townships of Westfield and Elizabeth Town, in the county of Essex, into a separate township to be called the townehip of Rahway; and the bill entitled An act to authorize Joseph Chamberlain and Ezekiel Holmes, administrators of the Rev. John Hanna, deceased to fulfil a contract for the sale of lands, made by the deceased, with Samuel Arnwine, without amendment; also that Council had passed the re-engrossed bill entitled, An act respecting Clerks in Chancery and Clerks of the Supreme Court, with the amendments made thereto by this house.

The report of Mr Cooper and Mr W. Coxe, from the committee to whom was committed the petition of John Voorhees, and others, for compensation for trouble and expence incurred in endeavors to apprehend the Robbers of the Treasury, was called up, read a second time; and after some time spent in the consideration thereof,

The House adjourned to half-past nine o'clock to-morrow morning.

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TUESDAY, *February 28.*

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Half-past nine o'clock...The House met.

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The committee to whom were referred a number of petitions praying that a law may be passed, making assaults and batteries cognizable before one or more Justices of the peace, beg leave to report, that upon mature deliberation,

your committee are of opinion that a law founded on the principle proposed by the petitioners would be of public utility.

By order of the Committee,

E. BEATTY.

Which report was read, and on the question will this House agree to the report?

The Yeas and Nays were called for, and were as follow:

YEAS.

Messrs Burroughs,  
Cooper,  
Corwin,  
Hawkinson,  
Howell,  
Johnson,  
Linn,  
Newell,  
Ogden,

Messrs A. Pierson,  
Rifley,  
Ray,  
Runyan,  
M. Smith,  
R. Smith,  
Stout,  
Shaver.

NAYS.

Messrs Blanch,  
Beatty,  
W. Coxe,  
Day,  
Darby,  
Dunn,  
Frelinghuyzen,  
Godwin,  
Haas,  
Kipp,

Messrs Knott,  
Kitchell,  
Lacey,  
M'Eowen,  
W. Pearson,  
Ryerison,  
Scudder,  
Stockton,  
Voorhees,  
Van Duyn.

A petition from sundry inhabitants of the States of New-York and New-Jersey, praying for an act of incorporation for certain purposes therein mentioned, was read and committed to Messrs Darby, Linn, Van Duyn, A. Pierson, and Ryerison.

Mr Kitchell presented to the House duplicates of the receipts given by Mr Gordon, present Treasurer, to Mr Sal-

tar, late Treasurer, for the Money, Books and papers, belonging to the State, in or appertaining to the office of Treasurer; which Duplicate receipts were ordered to be filed with the Treasurer's Bond, and were carried to Council for a confirmation of this order.

The House resumed the consideration of the bill from Council entitled A supplement to the act, entitled An act making provision for the carrying into effect the act for the punishment of crimes; and after having gone through with, and amended the same, ordered the said bill as amended to be read a third time.

The House resumed the consideration of the report on the petition from John Voorhees and others, and after some time spent thereon,

*Ordered*, That the said report be re-committed to the committee by whom it was made, for the purpose of obtaining additional information.

A message from Council by Mr Beatty their Secretary, informed the House, that Council had passed the engrossed bill entitled A supplement to the act entitled An act directing the mode of entering Judgments on Bonds with warrants to confess Judgments passed the ninth day of March 1798, with the amendments made thereto by this House, and had caused the same to be re-engrossed; also, that Council had passed a bill entitled An act for the relief of Benjamin Westervelt, and a bill entitled An act giving the consent of this State to the United States to purchase a lot of land on the north point of Sandy-Hook, for the purpose of erecting a Beacon or other needful buildings thereon; to which bills they request the concurrence of this House.

The House adjourned to three o'clock in the afternoon.

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Three o'clock afternoon....The House met.

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*Resolved*, That this House, nothing unforeseen intervening, will rise on Friday morning next.

The engrossed bill entitled An act to incorporate the proprietors of the Trenton Water-works, was read a third time and compared.

On the question shall this bill pass?

It was carried unanimously in the affirmative.

*Ordered*, That the Speaker do sign the said bill.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry the said bill to Council, inform them that it has been passed by this House, and request their concurrence therein.

Council came into the Assembly-Room, and the two Houses went into Joint-Meeting; after which the Speaker resumed the chair.

The Committee to whom was referred the petition of the Children, legatees and others interested in the estate of John Benham, late of Freehold, in the County of Monmouth, deceased,

Report, that they have been waiting some days for the petitioners to come forward and support the allegations set forth in their petition; but none of them appearing, your Committee conceive, that it will be expedient the said petition be referred to the next sitting of the Legislature.

By order of the committee,

JOHN LACEY.

Which report was read, and agreed to by the House.

The engrossed bill entitled An act to provide for the establishment of markets for the sale of live stock, in the several counties of this State, was read a third time and compared.

On the question shall this bill pass?

It was carried unanimously in the affirmative.

*Ordered*, That the Speaker do sign the same.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry the said bill to Council, inform them that it has been passed by this House, and request their concurrence therein.

The bill from Council entitled An act giving the consent of this State to the United States to purchase a lot of land on the North Point of Sandy-Hook, for the purpose of erecting a Beacon, or other needful buildings thereon, was read and ordered a second reading.

The bill from Council entitled An act for the relief of Benjamin Westervelt, was read, and ordered a second reading.

The bill entitled A supplement to an act entitled an act for incorporating the chosen freeholders in the respective Counties of this State, was read a second time, considered by section and ordered to be engrossed.

The bill from Council entitled An act for the relief of Insolvent debtors, was read a third time.

On the question shall this bill pass?

It was carried in the affirmative as follows:

#### YEAS.

Messrs Blanch,	Messrs Kitchell,
Beatty,	Lacey,
W. Coxe,	Newell,
Cooper,	W. Pearson,
Corwin,	Ryerson,
Day,	Risley,
Dunn,	Ray,
Frelinghuysen,	Scudder,
Godwin,	Stockton,
Kipp,	M. Smith,
Knott,	R. Smith.

#### NAYS.

Messrs Darby.	Messrs Ogden,
Hankinson,	Runyan,
Haas,	Stout,
Howell,	Shaver,
Linn,	Voorhees,
M' Eowen,	Van Duyn.

*Ordered,* That the Speaker do sign the same.

*Ordered,* That the Clerk do inform Council that the said bill is passed by this House.

Mr Cooper with leave presented a bill entitled A supplement to the Act entitled An act constituting Courts for the trial of small causes, passed 15th March 1798; which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

The House adjourned to half past nine o'clock to-morrow morning.

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## WEDNESDAY, February 29.

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Half-past nine o'clock....The House met.

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Mr Burroughs and Mr Lacey asked and obtained leave of absence for the remainder of the sitting.

The bill from Council entitled a supplement to the act entitled an act making provision for the carrying into effect the act for the punishment of crimes with the amendments thereto by this House, were read a third time.

On the question, Shall this bill as amended pass?

It was carried in the affirmative as follows:

### YEAS.

Messrs Beatty,	Messrs Newell,
W. Coxe,	Ogden,
Cooper,	W. Pearson,
Corwin,	A. Pierson,
Day,	Risley,
Darby,	Ray,
Frelinghuysen,	Runyan,
Godwin,	Scudder,
Hankinson,	Stockton,
Howell,	M. Smith,
Knott,	R. Smith,
Kitchell,	Stout,
Lacey,	Voorhees.

## NAYS.

Messrs Blanch;  
Dunn,  
Haas,  
Johnson,  
Kipp,

Messrs Linn,  
M'Eowen,  
Ryerson,  
Shaver,  
Van Duyn.

*Ordered*, That the Speaker do sign the same.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry the said bill to Council, inform them it has been passed by this House, with sundry amendments, and request the concurrence of Council in said amendments.

A petition from sundry inhabitants of the Counties of Essex and Bergen, praying a law to remove certain obstructions in the river Passaic, was read:

*Ordered*, That the petitioners have leave to present a bill on the second Wednesday of the next fitting of the Legislature, by advertising the same for three weeks previous thereto, in the Centinel of Freedom, and the Newark Gazette, and also by putting up at least four written advertisements to the same effect in public view, at the following places, viz. one in the town of Paterson, one do. at Paterson Landing, one at Hopper's tavern, at Weezell, and also one at the store of Christian A. Zabriskie, at Sauterdam, for the same space of time.

A petition from sundry inhabitants of Salem county praying a law to alter the boundary line between the counties of Salem and Cumberland, was read and referred to the next fitting of the Legislature.

The bill from Council entitled An act giving the consent of this state to the United States, to purchase a Lot of Land on the North Point of Sandy Hook, for the purpose of erecting a Beacon or other needful buildings thereon, was read a second time, taken up by section, and after some time spent thereon, the bill was committed to Messrs Kitchell, Scudder, and Van Duyn, with instructions to report the same this afternoon.

The House adjourned to three o'clock this afternoon.

Three o'clock afternoon....The House met.

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Mr Kitchell, from the committee to whom was committed the bill entitled An act giving the consent of this State to the United States, to purchase a Lot of Land on the North Point of Sandy-Hook, for the purpose of erecting a Beacon or other needful buildings thereon, reported the same with sundry amendments; which amendments were read and agreed to, and the bill as amended ordered a third reading.

The bill entitled An act to prohibit Clerks of the Courts of Common Pleas and General Quarter Sessions of the Peace from practising as Attorneys or Counsellors at Law in the counties in which they are Clerks, was read a second time, considered by section, and ordered to be engrossed.

A message from Council by Mr Beatty their Secretary informed the House, that Council had passed the bill entitled A supplement to the act entitled An act for supporting Ideots and Lunatics, and preserving their estates, with sundry Amendments; to which amendments they request the concurrence of this House;

Which amendments were twice read, severally agreed to, and the bill as amended ordered to be re-engrossed.

The bill from Council entitled An act giving the consent of this State to the United States to purchase a Lot of Land on the North point of Sandy-Hook, for the purpose of erecting a Beacon or other needful buildings thereon, was read a third time as amended.

On the question, Shall this bill as amended pass?

It was carried unanimously in the affirmative.

*Ordered*, That the Speaker do sign the said bill and amendments.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry to Council the foregoing bill, acquaint them that it has been passed by this House with sundry amendments, and request the concurrence of Council therein.

The bill entitled An additional supplement to the act entitled An act constituting courts for the trial of small causes, passed 15th March 1798, was read a second time, considered by section, and ordered to be engrossed.

The engrossed bill entitled A supplement to an act entitled an act for incorporating the Chosen Freeholders in the respective counties of this state, was read a third time and compared.

On the question, Shall this bill pass?

It was carried unanimously in the affirmative.

*Ordered*, That the Speaker do sign the same.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry the said bill to Council, inform them that it has been passed by this House, and request their concurrence therein.

Mr Johnson, from the committee for that purpose, reported a bill entitled An act for defraying sundry incidental charges; which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

The Committee to whom was referred the petition from a number of inhabitants of the states of New York and New Jersey, praying an act of incorporation to assist them in erecting a City at Paulus-Hook, Report,

That your Committee, having gone into a considerable investigation of the subject submitted to their consideration are of opinion that this State would derive important advantages from the establishment contemplated by the petitioners; at the same time considering it a matter which ought to be thoroughly investigated; knowing the situation of the Legislature at a very late hour of the session, and conceiving no serious inconvenience can arise from a few months delay, are of opinion the petitioners ought to have leave to present a bill, agreeably to their request, on the first Monday of the next sitting of the Legislature.

By order of the committee,

EZRA DARBY.

Which report was read, and agreed to by the House.

The bill from Council entitled An act for the relief of Benjamin Westervelt, was read a second time, considered by section, and ordered a third reading.

The bill entitled An act more effectually to prevent horse-racing, and to repeal part of an act entitled An act concerning horse-racing, was called up, and referred to the next sitting of the Legislature.

*Resolved*, That the Clerk of the Supreme Court, and the Clerk of Chancery be authorized to provide fire wood and candles for the use of the said Courts, and that the Clerk of the Supreme Court be authorized to put in order one of the committee rooms in the State-House, and to cause the same to be provided with the necessary furniture, for the use of the Justices of the Supreme Court, during their sessions, and that the said Clerks submit their accounts to each successive sitting of the Legislature.

*Ordered*, That the Clerks do carry to Council the foregoing Resolution and request their concurrence therein.

The report of Mr W. Coxe, from the committee appointed to examine and report the state of the Library, and what new Books may be wanted for the same, was called up and agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry to Council the rules for the regulation of the Library contained in said report and request their concurrence therein.

The committee to whom was referred the petition of James Abrahams and William Wikoff respecting the navigation of the river Matcheponix, Report,

That not being able to find sundry papers relative to said business, said to be left on the files of this house, on a former application, are of opinion that the petitioners have leave to present a bill to answer the prayer of their petition, on the second Monday of the next sitting of the Legislature advertising the purport of the bill they mean to present together with a copy of the order of this house in four

of the most public places adjoining said river at least three weeks previous thereto.

By order of the committee,

GERSHOM DUNN.

Which report was read and agreed to by the House.

A message from Council by Mr Beatty their Secretary, informed the House, that Council had passed the bill entitled An act for the establishment of markets for the sale of live stock in the several counties of this State, and the bill entitled An act to incorporate the proprietors of the Trenton water-works, without amendment; also, that Council had passed the bill entitled A supplement to the act entitled An act for the regulation of the Militia of New-Jersey, passed June 13, 1799, with sundry amendments; to which amendments he requested the concurrence of this House.

The House adjourned to nine o'clock to-morrow morning.

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THURSDAY, March 1.

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Nine o'clock....The House met.

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The House took up the Amendments made by Council to the bill entitled A supplement to the act entitled An act for the regulation of the Militia of New-Jersey, passed June 13, 1799; and after having agreed to the said Amendments, ordered the bill as amended to be re-engrossed.

The engrossed bill entitled An additional supplement to the Act entitled An act constituting Courts for the trial of small causes, passed the fifteenth of March in the year 1798, was read a third time and compared.

On the question shall this bill pass?

It was carried in the affirmative as follows:

## YEAS.

Messrs Blanch,  
 Beatty,  
 W. Coxe,  
 Cooper,  
 Day,  
 Darby,  
 Frelinghuysen,  
 Godwin,  
 Hankinson,  
 Haas,  
 Howell,  
 Johnson,  
 Kipp,  
 Knott,  
 Kitchell,  
 Linn,

Messrs M'Eowen,  
 Newell,  
 Ogden,  
 W. Pearson,  
 A. Pierson,  
 Ryerson,  
 Risley,  
 Ray,  
 Runyan,  
 Scudder,  
 Stockton,  
 M. Smith,  
 R. Smith,  
 Stout,  
 Shaver,  
 Voorhees.

## NAYS.

Mr Dunn, Mr Van Duyn.

*Ordered*, That the Speaker do sign the same.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry the said bill to Council, inform them that it has been passed by this House, and request their concurrence therein.

The engrossed bill entitled An act to prohibit Clerks of the Courts of Common pleas, and General Quarter Sessions of the peace from practising as attorneys at Law in the counties of which they are Clerks, was read a third time and compared.

On the question, Shall this bill pass?

It was carried unanimously in the affirmative.

*Ordered*, That the Speaker do sign the same.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry the foregoing bills to Council, inform them that they have been passed by this House, and request their concurrence therein.

A petition from James Jarvis and his Associates, praying leave to present a bill for a partial incorporation of the purchasers of a tract of Land called Horsimus, in the county of Bergen, was read.

*Ordered*, That said petitioners have leave to present a bill agreeably to the prayer of their petition, on the first Monday of the next sitting of the Legislature.

The bill from Council entitled An act for the relief of Benjamin Westervelt, was read a third time.

On the question, Shall this bill pass?

It was carried unanimously in the affirmative.

*Ordered*, That the Speaker do sign the same.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do inform Council that the said bill has been passed by this House without amendment.

*Resolved*, That John Dodd, Esq. be and he hereby is appointed a commissioner on the part of this state, to examine the books of the society for establishing useful manufactures—and that he be authorized to make a statement of the amount of the sums originally subscribed, and of the sums actually paid, and the number of rights which have become forfeited, and also what sums have been expended in attempting to establish said manufactory, and what sums have been lost by failures or otherways, also the present value of the land, building, and machinery, or other articles as far as he can ascertain the same, belonging to the society; with the annual income arising from rents or otherways, as well for years past as at present; and that he make a statement of the same together with such additional remarks as he may deem necessary—and that he be authorized to call to his assistance any person or persons not exceeding two if he shall find it necessary—and that he lay the result of his enquiries before the Legislature at their next sitting, with an account of the time and expence of making such enquiries.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry to Council the foregoing Resolution, and request their concurrence therein.

*Resolved*, That the inspectors of the State Prison, be authorized to rent at auction the lot of land belonging to the state, and laying near the state prison, for any term not exceeding five years, the Lessee to return it in a good cedar post and rail fence, with five rails to each pannel, the lease to commence on the first day of April next.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry to Council the foregoing Resolution and request their concurrence therein.

*Resolved*, That the commander in chief of this state issue his orders to the Adjutant-General, to distribute to the several Brigadier Generals, and Commandants of Brigades, in equal proportions to the strength of their Brigades, the books containing Baron Steubens instructions which are now in his possession, and that the Brigadier Generals, and Commandants of Brigades have them distributed to the several Commandants of Regiments and Independent Battalions, in equal proportions, for the use of the officers of the same, including the Artillery attached to such regiments.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry to Council the foregoing resolution, and request their concurrence in the same.

The bill entitled An act to defray sundry incidental charges, was read a second time, and postponed.

A petition from John Stevens, praying the Legislature to pass a law for incorporating the President and Directors of the Hoboken Company, was read.

*Ordered*, That the petitioner have leave to present a bill to answer the prayer of his petition on the first Monday of the next sitting of the Legislature.

A message from Council by Mr Beatty their Secretary informed the House, that Council had passed the bill entitled a supplement to the act entitled an act making provision for carrying into effect the act for the punishment of crimes, with the amendments made thereto by this House; also that Council had concurred in the resolution from this House authorising the Clerks of the Supreme Court and Chancery to provide firewood and candles for their respective Courts.

A message from Council by Mr Beatty their Secretary, informed the House that Council had passed the bill entitled a supplement to an act entitled An act for incorporating the chosen Freeholders in the respective counties of this state without amendment; also that Council had passed a bill entitled An act to repeal part of an act entitled An act further to regulate fees; to which latter bill he requested the concurrence of this House; which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

The re-engrossed bill entitled A supplement to the act entitled An act for supporting Ideots and Lunatics and preserving their estates, was read and compared.

On the question, Shall this re-engrossed bill pass?

It was carried unanimously in the affirmative.

*Ordered*, That the speaker do sign said bill.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry the said bill to Council, and inform them that it has been passed by this House, with the Amendments made thereto by Council.

The House adjourned to three o'clock in the afternoon.

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'Three o'clock, afternoon... The House met.

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The bill from Council entitled An act to repeal part of an act entitled An act further to regulate fees, was read a second time, considered by section, and ordered a third reading.

A message from Council by Mr Beatty their Secretary, informed the House that Council had passed the bill entitled An additional supplement to the act entitled An act constituting Courts for the trial of small causes, passed the 15th day of March, 1798, and the bill entitled An act to prohibit Clerks of the Courts of Common Pleas and General Quarter Sessions of the Peace, from practising as attorneys at law in the counties of which they are Clerks; without

amendment; also that Council had concurred in the Resolution, relative to the leasing the Lot of Land belonging to the State, lying near the State Prison; the Resolution relative to the distribution of the books containing Baron Steuben's instructions now in the possession of the Adjutant General; and the Rules for the regulation and preservation of the Books in the Library belonging to the state.]

The report of Mr Cooper and Mr W. Coxe, from the committee on the petition of John Voorhees and others, was called up, one item ordered to be struck out, viz. that allowing to Amos Howell and George Dill, one hundred dollars for their services; the remainder of the report was agreed to, and ordered to be referred to the committee on the incidental bill.

A representation from Andrew Kirkpatrick, William S. Pennington, and Elisha Boudinot, Judges of the Supreme Court, requesting the Legislature to direct provision to be made for the purchase of a carpet and three window blinds or curtains for the Court-Room, was read.

*Resolved*, That the Clerk of the Supreme Court be authorized to purchase for the room of the Supreme Court a carpet for the floor, and three paper blinds for the windows—and that he present an account of the expence, to the Legislature at their next sitting.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry to Council the foregoing resolution, together with the representation of the Judges, and request the concurrence of Council to the said resolution.

The re-engrossed bill entitled A supplement to the act entitled An act for the regulation of the Militia of New-Jersey, passed June 13, 1799, was read and compared.

On the question shall this re-engrossed bill pass?

It was carried in the affirmative as follows:

## YEAS.

Messrs Blanch,  
 Beatty,  
 W. Coxe,  
 Cooper,  
 Corwin,  
 Day,  
 Darby,  
 Frelinghuysen,  
 Godwin,  
 Hankinson,  
 Haas,  
 Howell,  
 Johnson,  
 Kipp,  
 Knott,  
 Kitchell,  
 Linn,

Messrs M'Eowen,  
 Newell,  
 Ogden,  
 W. Pearson,  
 A. Pierson,  
 Ryerson,  
 Riley,  
 Ray,  
 Runyan,  
 Scudder,  
 Stockton,  
 M. Smith,  
 R. Smith,  
 Stout,  
 Shaver,  
 Voorhees,  
 Van Duyn.

## NAY.

Mr Dunn.

*Ordered*, That the Speaker do sign the said re-engrossed bill.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry the said bill to Council, inform them that it has been passed by this House, with the Amendments made thereto by Council, and that they have had the same re-engrossed.

The bill from Council entitled An act to repeal part of an act entitled, An act further to regulate fees, was read a third time.

On the question shall this bill pass?

It was carried in the affirmative as follows:

## YEAS.

Messrs Cooper,  
 Corwin,  
 Day,  
 Darby,  
 Godwin,  
 Hankinson,

Messrs Newell,  
 Ogden,  
 A. Pierson,  
 Riley,  
 Ray,  
 Runyan,

## YEAS.

Messrs Haas,  
Howell,  
Johnson,  
Knott,  
Kitchell,  
Linn,

Messrs Scudder,  
M. Smith,  
Stout,  
Shaver,  
Voorhees,

## NAYS.

Messrs Blanch,  
Beatty,  
W. Coxe,  
Dunn,  
Frelinghuysen,  
Kipp,

Messrs M'Eowen,  
W. Pearson,  
Ryerson,  
Stockton,  
R. Smith,  
Van Duyn.

*Ordered*, That the Speaker do sign the same.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do inform Council that the said bill is passed by this House.

A Message from Council by Mr Beatty, their Secretary, informed the House, that Council had concurred in the Resolution from this House appointing John Dodd, Esquire, a Commissioner on the part of this State to enquire into the state of the Manufactory at Paterson, and report thereon to the Legislature; also, that Council had non-concurred in the Resolution from this House directing the Clerk of the Supreme Court to purchase a carpet and three paper window-blinds for the room of the Supreme Court.

The report of Mr Dunn from the Committee on the petition of Benjamin Tharp, was called up, read a second time, and ordered to be postponed.

A message from Council by Mr Beatty, their Secretary, informed the House, that Council had passed the re-engrossed bill entitled An act giving the consent of this state to the United States to purchase a lot of land on the north point of Sandy-Hook for the purpose of erecting a Beacon or other needful buildings thereon.

The House adjourned to seven o'clock to-morrow morning.

**FRIDAY, March 2.**

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Seven o'clock....The House met.

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The engrossed bill entitled *An act for defraying sundry incidental charges*, was read a third time and compared.

On the question, Shall this bill pass?

It was carried in the affirmative as follows:

**YEAS.**

Messrs Blanch,	Messrs Kitchell,
Beauty,	Linn,
W. Coxe,	McEowen,
Cooper,	Newell,
Corwin,	Ogden,
Day,	W. Pearson,
Dunn,	A. Pierson,
Flinghuysen,	Risley,
Godwin,	Runyan,
Haskinson,	Scudder,
Haas,	Steckton,
Howell,	M. Smith,
Johnson,	Stout,
Kipp,	Shaver.
Knott,	

**NAYS.**

Messrs Ray,	Mr Van Duyn.
Voorhees,	

*Ordered*, That the Speaker do sign the same.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry the said bill to Council, inform them that it has been passed by this House, and request their concurrence therein.

The Committee to whom was referred the petition of the Rev. James F. Armstrong, in behalf of the Presbytery of New-Brunswick, Report,

That they have examined the petitioner, and that it appears that the said Presbytery have in their possession a considerable pecuniary fund, which they intend to appropriate to various religious purposes, and the better to enable them to carry into effect their design, pray that the said Presbytery may be incorporated. Your Committee are therefore of opinion the prayer of the petitioner ought to be granted.

By order of the Committee,

JAMES VAN DUYN.

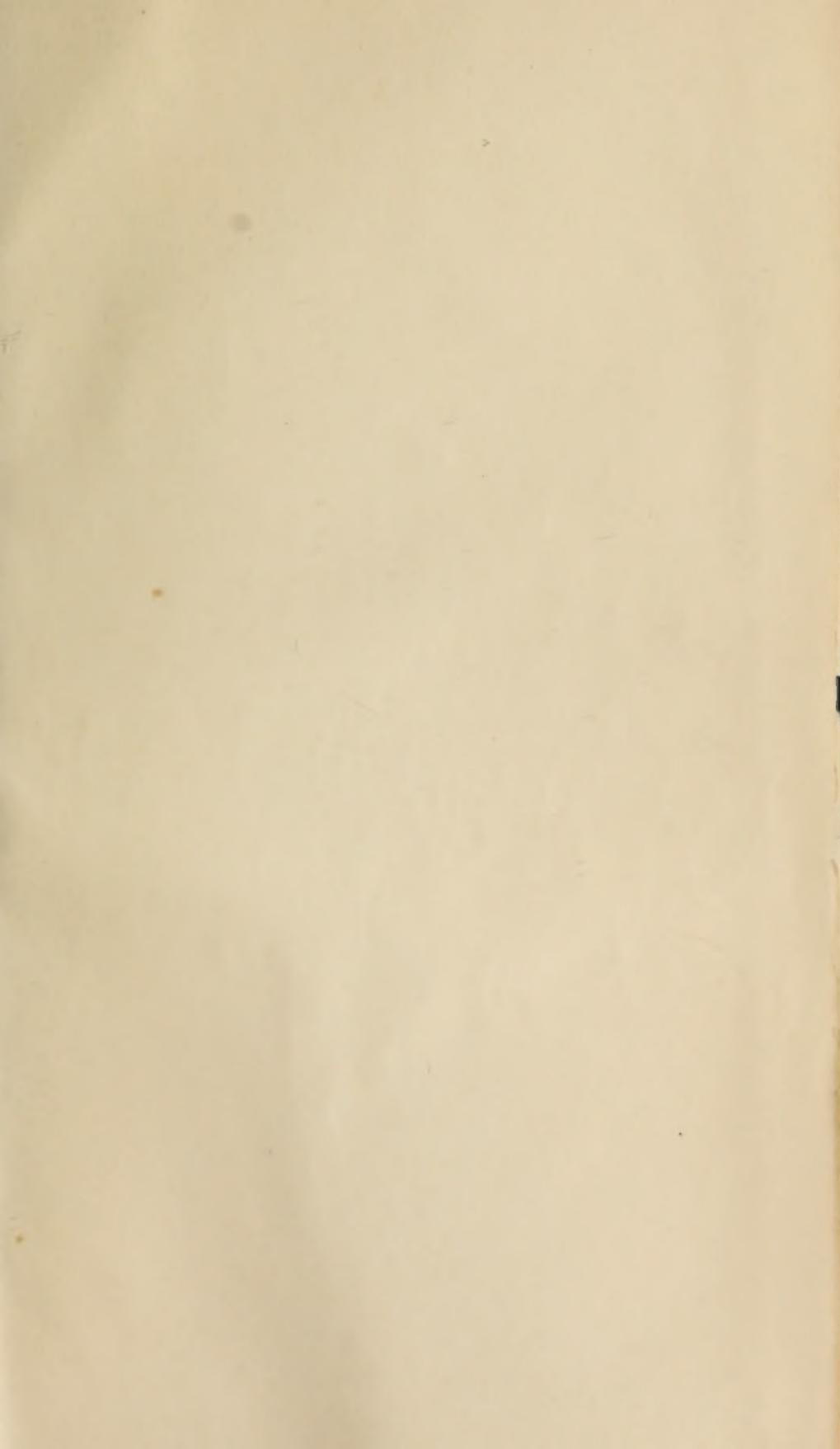
Which report was read, and ordered to be postponed to the next sitting of the Legislature.

*Resolved*, That the Governor be authorized and requested to cause two thousand copies of the Supplement to the Militia-Law passed at this sitting to be printed, at the expence of the state, in octavo size, together with such Orders of the present or any former Commander in Chief, and of Gen. Doughty, as may be in his opinion necessary for the information of the Officers of the Militia of this state, and to have the same distributed under his directions among the said officers.

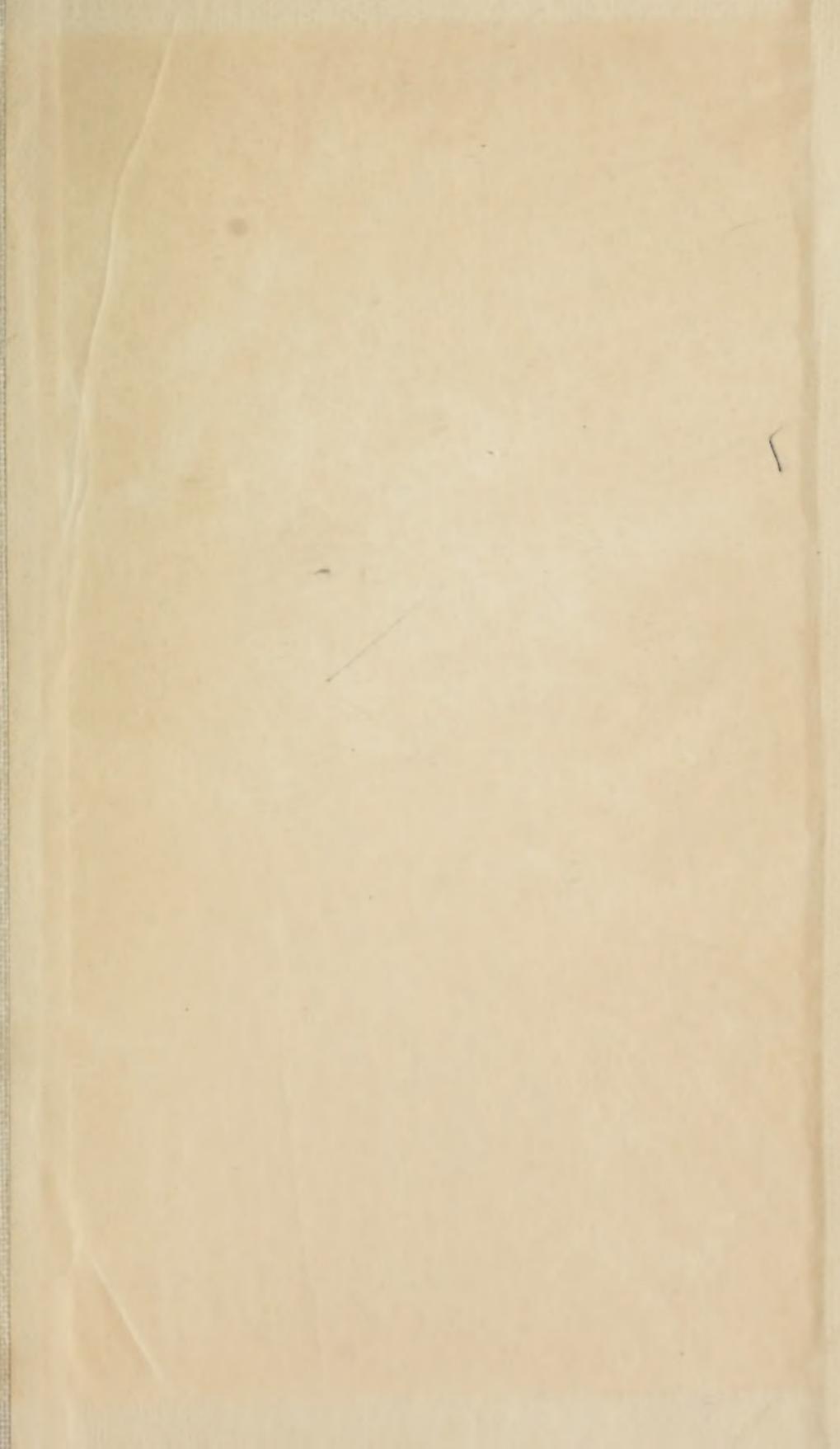
*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry to Council the foregoing Resolution, and request their concurrence therein.

A Message from Council by Mr Beatty, their Secretary, informed the House, that Council had passed the bill entitled An act for defraying sundry incidental charges, without amendment; also that Council had concurred in the Resolution authorizing the Governor to cause two thousand copies of the Militia-Act, passed this sitting, to be printed and distributed among the several officers, &c.

The House rose *sine die*.







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